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NEWS SUMMARY

DOMESTIC.

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Railroads begin fight on injunction against discrimination in rates.—Page 9.

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Citizen city committee appoints conferees to meet with Democrats and select a fusion candidate for recorder. Nomination will probably be made Monday.—Page 5.

Democratic ward chairmen unanimously agree that their party should fuse with the Citizens on the recordership.—Page 5.

Four children poisoned by eating roast pork and sweet potatoes.—Page 2.

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Daily leakage of new Highland reservoir is estimated at 2,502,000 gallons.—Page 5.

J. O. Brown resigned as chairman of the city committee of the machine and Max G. Leslie was promoted from the vice chairmanship to the chairmanship. An early primary election was agreed upon.—Page 1.

As a sample place where the law is openly violated, and where the complaint that police protection is given to vice is apparently well substantiated, the "Arcade," in Diamond street, is described.—Page 2.

LEGAL.

President Judge Rice of the superior court decided that the Pittsburgh smoke ordinance is unconstitutional.—Page 14.

Dr. Davis A. Dean was ordered to pay his wife $100 a month.—Page 14.

Sewickley Chinamen were on trial charged with stabbing a negro.—Page 14.

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SOCIAL.

Extensive arrangements are being made for the entertainment of the school and college girls and boys who come home the last of this week to spend Christmas in Pittsburgh.—Page 6.

Miss Rachel McMasters Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mortimer C. Miller, made her debut yesterday afternoon at a large reception at the Schenley.—Page 6.

Miss Alice Thaw entertained a party of young people at Duquesne garden last evening, followed by supper at Lyndhurst.—Page 6.

A delightful musicale was given yesterday by Mrs. John Fremont Shaffer at her home in South Negley avenue, East End.—Page 6.

SPORTING.

Local American league promoters are still sure that a franchise will be granted to this city.—Page 10.

Ferns and Mathews, who are to fight here, are in great demand for matches from other leading boxers.—Page 10.

The New Orleans winners: Meran, Shanklin Field, The Caxton, John Peters, Harry Wilson and Fecineur.—Page 10.

The winners at Ingleside: Quatre, Maggie Felix, Irideus, Constable, Sad Sam and Eva G.—Page 10.

FINANCIAL.

Eastern stock market rallied on the reported formation of a $50,000,000 money pool.—Page 12.

Local stock market opened heavy, but closed with a better tone.—Page 12.

Wheat was higher in Chicago, corn and oats lower.—Page 13.

SNYDER SENTENCED.

Judge Refuses New Trial to Banker Convicted of Bribery—Five Years in Penitentiary.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 15.—Judge Ryan today overruled the motion for a new trial filed by attorneys for Robert M. Snyder, the banker, convicted of bribery, and sentenced him to five years in the penitentiary. Notice of appeal was given.

The cases of Charles J. Denny, John A. Sheridan, Edmund Berach, Emile Hartman, Charles A. Gutke, J. J. Hannigan, Charles Kelly and Julius Lehmann, former members, charged with bribery in connection with the suburban bill, were called for trial today.

Their attorneys filed applications for a change of venue and arguments were begun.

LA SOUFRIERE IS BECOMING UNEASY

KINGSTOWN, ISLAND OF ST. VINCENT, Dec. 15.—Premonitory symptoms of another volcanic eruption have been experienced here. The Soufriere was disturbed yesterday and there were peculiar electrical discharges and detonations from that volcano last night. The agitation is apparently increasing, and extraordinary heat prevails.

OCEAN INTELLIGENCE.

Arrived Dec. 15.

New York—Bohemia from Liverpool.
Liverpool—Saxonia from Boston.
Plymouth—Pennsylvania from New York.
Antwerp—Zeeland from New York.
Gibraltar—Lahn from New York.

Sailed Dec. 15.

New York—Deutschland for Hamburg, Lancastrian for Liverpool.
Cherbourg—Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse for New York.
Gibraltar—Trave for New York.

TODAY'S AMUSEMENTS.

ALVIN—Mr. Sothern in "If I Were King," 8 p. m.
NEW GRAND—New stock company in "Arrah-na-Pogue," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.
DUQUESNE—Ten acts of Star Vaudeville, 2 and 8 p. m.
BIJOU—"A Kentucky Feud," 8:15 p. m.
EMPIRE—"Over Niagara Falls, 8:15 p. m.
ACADEMY—Harry Morris Company in "Night on Broadway," 2 and 8 p. m.
AVENUE—Marcel's pictures and 13 other vaudeville acts; continuous performance from 1:30 to 10:30 p. m.
CARNEGIE INSTITUTE AND ART GALLERIES—Loan exhibition, open from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.
DUQUESNE GARDEN—Ice skating and hockey, Keystones vs. Bankers.

ENGLAND, STILL SORE OVER SOUTH AFRICAN CONFLICT, NOT THIRSTING FOR BLOOD

LUTHER T. ELLSWORTH.
United States Consul at Puerto Cabello.

Will Likely Accept the Offer of Arbitration Made by Castro.

MONROE DOCTRINE WILL BE UPHELD

Lord Cranborne Makes Careful Speech in House of Commons.

ITALY IS GIVEN A PART

[Special Cable to The Gazette.]

London, Dec. 16.—Cabling from Willemstad, Curacao, a correspondent of the Daily Mail says the British flag is now flying over the fort at Puerto Cabello, and that President Castro has granted amnesty to "El Mocho Hernandez, Parades and other revolutionary leaders.

London, Dec. 15.—Great Britain has modified her attitude toward Venezuela. Lord Cranborne, in a speech in the house of commons tonight, stated that Venezuela's offer of arbitration, strongly indorsed by the United States, was under consideration by the cabinet. Although the under secretary gave no intimation as to what action would be taken, it is believed in official circles that it will be accepted by England, if not by Germany. The prospect of an expensive and profitless campaign in Venezuela's enervating climate, with no possibility of recompense in the way of additional territory, is not attractive to Englishmen, many of whom are wearing mourning and paying taxes yet as a consequence of the subjugation of the two republics in South Africa.

Lord Cranborne, in his address also disclaimed, in behalf of the government, any responsibility for the sinking of Venezuela's ships.

Anxious for News.

The house was crowded this evening when the Venezuelan matter came up for debate. Henry White, the American charge d'affaires, had a seat in the diplomatic gallery.

Mr. Schwan, after having expressed surprise that the government was anxious for another war after South Africa, complained of the paucity of the information concerning the Venezuelan situation which has been given to parliament. He said he hoped arbitration would be accepted because, although President Roosevelt is anxious to act correctly, the situation is full of danger and the president's hand might be forced by politicians.

Lord Cranborne reproached the member with a desire to discredit the government and explained that the papers in the Venezuelan matter were very voluminous and that those issued today were only a summary. He said that Great Britain had to perform police duty among the nations and had to prevent Venezuela from breaking the law of nations. The United States took the sensible view that Great Britain's insistence that Venezuela should meet her engagements was not an infraction of the Monroe doctrine.

"No country is more anxious than Great Britain," said Lord Cranborne, "to assist the American government in maintaining that doctrine."

Had Displayed Forbearance.

This remark was greeted with cheers. Continuing the under foreign secretary said the British government had displayed great forbearance and that it was only after Venezuela had been thrice summoned to do right that the government had been driven to strong measures. Lord Cranborne said also that the blockade would be carried out with every regard for the interests of neutrals.

The Liberal leader, Sir Henry Campbell Bannerman, then voiced his strong dissatisfaction with Lord Cranborne's speech. He complained of the lack of information about the German and British claims which he said seemed to be on different footing. The speaker said he was an advocate of the best possible feeling between the two countries, but that in this matter Great Britain seemed to be bound hand and foot to Germany.

"We could do nothing with regard to our claims," continued the Liberal leader, "unless the Germans are perfectly satisfied with the settlement of their claims. Such an agreement is contrary to the country's best interests. The noble lord has said nothing about an important communication received from the United States; there would be universal satisfaction if this communication was of such a nature as to lead to a peaceful solution of what after all seems to be a somewhat squalid difficulty."

Balfour on Defensive.

Premier Balfour then spoke. He accused the mover and the seconder of the motion to adjourn, of a desire to discredit the government and said this was not the way to approach a painful international episode. The premier declared there was no justification for the assumption that the government was prepared to go to war for the Venezuelan bondholders.

Mr. Balfour declared that in so far as the financial claims were concerned the government was prepared to agree to a tribunal to assess them equitably. He added also that the United States government had not suggested arbitration. Anglo-German interests in Venezuela had been entrusted to the American minister at Caracas, Mr. Bowen, who with admirable energy had protected the lives of British and German subjects. The premier said he understood that it was from Venezuela, through the United States, that the suggestion for arbitration had come.

Sir William Vernon Harcourt and other members of the house then criticised the government for its action and pressed for additional information. Timothy M. Healy (Nationalist) declared that the Irish vote in America had driven the British government into a humiliating alliance with Germany and warned the government that it was in a perilous position owing to the state of political feeling in the United States.

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—The foreign office informed the Associated Press today that Italy will participate in the blockade by agreement with the allies, and that a portion of the coast will be assigned to

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HAY IS OPPOSED TO BLOCKADE PLAN

Will Endeavor to Secure Free Entry for American Ships.

ALLIES MUST BE FAIR

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

Washington, Dec. 15.—The South and Central American diplomatic representatives here are in a state of anxiety that finds expression in frequent calls at the state department for information. No less than six ministers were among Secretary Hay's visitors today, although this was not diplomatic reception day.

Secretary Hay was in conference at the White House for a short time with the president today regarding the Venezuelan affairs. Senator Cullom and Representative Hitt, the heads of the two committees of foreign affairs of congress, also saw the president, but it was stated that little attention was given to Venezuela.

Among senators and representatives who have discussed the Venezuelan question with President Roosevelt the situation is regarded as serious, but it is not generally believed likely that the United States will become involved in the controversy.

The committee on foreign relations in a report to the senate made a declaration of the Monroe doctrine when the agitation over the Schomburg line in Venezuela was intense. The senate never took any action on the report.

A Regrettable Incident.

Minister Bowen has confirmed the press reports to the effect that the guns of the allied fleet, which bombarded Puerto Cabello were directed entirely at the fortifications and not at the town. Regrettable as it was, this statement relieves the affair of the first suspicion that it constituted a violation of international law in the fact that 24 hours notice was not served of the bombardment. The requirement as to notice applies to towns where the fire must be directed upon the inhabitants, and this was not the case at Puerto Cabello, so that while the officials here regret that the firing took place, they have as yet no cause to protest.

But it is now probable that the United States will break its attitude of inactivity in the event that an attempt is made to enforce the "peaceful blockade" toward an American ship. When the allies were considering the ways and means of bringing Venezuela to terms and a blockade of this character had been decided upon, the German government informed the United States that when the blockade was established it would turn back all shipping, though no effort would be made to seize the ships.

May Come to an Issue.

The United States government made no response to this statement at the time (last year), not feeling called upon to do so before presentation of an actual case. But now that the blockade is sought to be established, Secretary Hay has informed the general government that American ships should not be interfered with in their trading, unless the inhibition applies to all shipping, and further, the note intimates a disapproval of stoppage at all. In so doing, the state department is following precedent. During the effort of the powers to establish a "peaceful blockade" of Crete in 1898 Secretary Sherman formally recorded a refusal to be bound by it. It happened that no American ship had occasion to enter a Cretan port during the brief period of time the blockade was in force, so the issue was not made then, but in the present case, with regular lines of American steamers entering Venezuelan ports at short intervals, a test case may soon follow. It is within the legal rights of the allies to close these ports, but probably this can be accomplished without protest on our part only after a formal declaration of war.

Bowen as a Peacemaker.

The hope is growing here that such a declaration can after all be averted owing to the energy with which Mr. Bowen has acted. The proposal of President Castro to the allied powers for a peaceful settlement was suggested by Mr. Bowen and it came to the state department through his hands. It has been forwarded to London and Berlin through the embassies here, and as both Great Britain and Germany have heretofore professed a desire to settle the issues peaceably, it is hoped that they will avail themselves of this opportunity. The proposal did not mention the method of arbitration, nor the limitations, and the point of doubt, which may prevent the acceptance of the scheme, is believed to be Castro's unwillingness to bind himself in advance to the recognition of the principle of liability; he would leave the arbitrators to determine whether or not he is liable at all.

Workmen's Wages Advanced.

CORRY, PA., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The Climax Locomotive Company of this city today announced an increase of 10 per cent in wages, affecting all men at once.

Forecast on Strike Commission's Finish.

FIRST DEBATE ON STATEHOOD BILL

Senator Dillingham Makes Speech in Opposition to Omnibus Measure.

QUAY'S MIND FIXED

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau,
Room 16, Postal Building,
Washington, D. C., Dec. 15.

The statehood fight in the senate is now on in earnest, and judging from the developments of the first day the debate will be a long and tedious one. When the bill came up as the regular order of unfinished business, Mr. Quay said:

"I desire to call the attention of the senator from Minnesota to the abnormal and anomalous condition of this bill. It was decided last session that a report should be made by the committee on territories on December 3, but on that date there was no report ready. However, there was a substitute bill reported on December 3 that arraigned national legislation for the past century and that arraigned the Republican national platform. Suddenly and tumultuously the senator from Minnesota withdrew his bill with notice that it might be reintroduced. Like Catsline, he said, 'I go but I return!' He has gone, but he has not returned. I now think it but reasonable that he should inform us whether the bill is to be introduced later, and also when."

Senator Nelson replied that he would introduce the bill again, slightly amended, but could not tell when. Senator Beveridge tried to induce Mr. Quay to commit himself to a speech on the bill, but was unable to do so. Mr. Quay said he might have something to say later. After some further parliamentary sparring Senator Dillingham opened the debate for the opposition. Mr. Quay noting the pile of manuscript on Mr. Dillingham's desk sent for a cigar and retired to the cloak room, remarking that his mind was already made up and not likely to be changed by the arguments. Mr. Dillingham spoke from 3 o'clock until 5, when the senate went into executive session and in closing stated that he would have some further remarks to make on the subject. He will probably resume the debate tomorrow.

Militia Bill Discussed.

The Dick military bill did not get through the senate today, as was expected. It was under debate during the morning hour, and by unanimous consent it was given a discussion of another half-hour after the statehood bill became the order of business. Some amendments may be made to it, but it will likely pass.

An amendment by Mr. Pettus striking from the bill section 24, having particular reference to the reserve force of trained men, provoked some discussion, Mr. Pettus raising the point that the section, if enacted into law, would be an infringement of the constitutional authority of the states and put the control of the militia of the several states into the hands of the general government.

Depot Bill Passes the House.

The house today passed the senate bill for a union railroad station in this city, to cost $4,000,000. The station is to be situated north of the present site of the Baltimore & Ohio depot at Delaware and Massachusetts avenues, and in front of it is to be a large park. The Pennsylvania railroad, by the terms of the bill, is to remove its tracks from the mall and reach the site of the proposed station through a tunnel to run between the capitol and library buildings. The government is to pay the Pennsylvania railroad $1,500,000 and the Baltimore & Ohio $500,000 in addition to providing for the plaza park.

An amendment offered by Mr. Cannon to strike out the provision for a plaza park in front of the station, the expense of which was to be borne jointly from the revenues of the district and the government, was voted down, 40 to 146. The bill was then passed.

The senate amendments to the strike commission bill were disagreed to and the bill sent to conference. The speaker appointed Messrs. Canton, Barney and Livingston conferees on the part of the house.

L. W. STRAYER.

Blondin is Convicted.

BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 15.—Murder in the second degree was the verdict returned tonight against J. Wilfred Blondin for the murder of his wife.

GIVEN COLD LEAD INSTEAD OF CASH

Two Texas Bank Robbers Lie Dead, Their Pal in Jail.

TALKED TOO MUCH

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

Ft. Worth, Tex., Dec. 15.—The little railway town of Alvord, 51 miles north, was frenzied with excitement this afternoon shortly before 3 o'clock by a rapid firing of pistol shots in the bank and in the streets. The cause was soon learned.

Outside the bank lay a dead robber, inside was one fatally wounded with a 45 calibre bullet hole through his head. The third was handcuffed and awaiting the coming of a train to go to jail.

This morning the sheriff of Wise county was advised that three men had gone from Chico to Alvord to rob the bank. He sent his chief deputy, Ben Pior, to Alvord, and that officer, with Constable E. S. Yeary, went to the bank and secreted themselves.

The robbers came in and when they demanded money the officers arose and gave the command, "Throw up your hands."

Claude Golden, an old offender, at once complied. His companion, John McFall, was slow in obeying, and as he raised his pistol, Yeary seized his pistol hand, threw it upward and shot him through the lower part of the head. The officers then ran outside, where Frank Martin held the horses. Both officers fired at him as he attempted to escape, and he was dead when they reached him. That ended the battle.

The explanation of the discovery of the intended raid offered is that the men, before they left Chico, told a chum of the purpose of their expedition, and he told someone else and then came the denouement at Alvord.

Golden is unmarried and a recently returned convict from the state penitentiary. The others are young men of the Chico-Alvord neighborhood and married.

LOST HIS LEG TO SAVE HIS LIFE

Thomas Brennen, a workman at the Carnegie steel plant in Duquesne, was badly injured early this morning by being run over by a car in the yards of the steel works. While walking across the tracks his foot became fast in a track frog. The yards were in darkness and he was unable to release his foot or make his cries for help heard. While endeavoring to release the imprisoned foot a heavy freight car suddenly loomed up in the dark, and in an effort to save his life he threw his body to the side and the car passed over his leg. He was taken to the McKeesport hospital, where the leg was amputated at the thigh. His condition is serious. He is 31 years old and lives at Arnot.

ARMED MOB ATTACKS CHURCH AND DRIVES OUT CONGREGATION

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

BELLINGTON, W. VA., Dec. 15.—A masked and mounted mob attacked Bethel Baptist church during the morning services on Sunday, demolishing the windows, fired on the congregation, scattered the people and chased them through the woods. The minister seemed to be the particular object of their fury. It is supposed the mob was opposed to him as a preacher and that they took this means of driving him from the community. Bethel church is located far from any railroad in the Glade district of Barbour county and the Rev. John Chenoweth is the pastor.

Nearly 100 persons were in the congregation and the pastor had just begun the sermon when the windows were crushed out with boulders. Immediately there came a volley from a score of revolvers and the congregation, headed by the pastor, made a break for the doors. Many jumped through the window frames and the frightened women and children cried in terror. The mob kept firing as the people escaped.

The crowd scattered as it got outside the church and the mob also divided, pursuing little groups in every direction and continuing the firing. Mr. Chenoweth and a few of his friends arrived here late last night after being pursued for several miles. They were all bruised from injuries received during the panic and their flight through the woods. They were of the opinion that several persons were shot.

Officers are endeavoring to discover the men implicated in the attack. Mr. Chenoweth will return to his charge.

COMMISSION WILL IGNORE COMBINATION

Arbitrators Won't Hear Charges That Operators Are in Trust.

JUSTICE GRAY IS INDIGNANT

Shocked by Stories of Little Girls Who Work All Night for Meager Pay.

THEIR FATHERS SCORED

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 15.—The anthracite strike arbitrators today declined to listen to charges of a combination among coal operators. The attorney for the miners sought to present such evidence and to present the fact that the coal companies are owned by the railroads, and that the profits of the coal companies are eaten up by exorbitant freight rates paid to the railroad companies. They expected to do this to show that even if the books of the coal companies do not show large profits these profits reach the same pockets through another channel.

This was objected to by the representatives of the operators and the objection sustained. The attorney for the miners said with these facts before the commission he would be ready to close his side of the case, except that one important witness would be heard tomorrow.

Will Meet in Philadelphia.

It was announced at the opening of its hearing that when the commission adjourns for the Christmas holidays, probably on Saturday, it will be to meet in Philadelphia on the first Monday in January. This decision, however, may be changed by developments this week.

Before proceeding to the hearing of witnesses, Chairman Gray informed the attorneys for both sides that the commission had prepared a certain formula which indicates the further information desired. He also asked the operators to expedite the presentation of the statements containing the wages paid to the miners and the hours worked. He said the hardest work for the commission is still to come, and the commissioners would like to begin their study of the figures as soon as possible.

Several little girls, employed in silk mills, were called to the stand. As a result, Chairman Gray plainly gave his opinion of parents who send their children to work at a tender age.

The first girl called was only 11 years old. She had to go to work because her father had been hurt in the mines. She said she worked from 7 a. m. until 6 p. m. for $2 a week. In answer to Chairman Gray she said her father expects to take her out of the mills next week, to which Judge Gray replied that he should be commended.

Justice Gray Indignant.

Annie Denks, aged 13, said she worked at night from 6:30 o'clock until 6:30 in the morning. She had to stand up all night during her working hours, and received 65 cents a night.

When the girl said she was employed at night every member of the commission seemed to be shocked. Judge Gray appeared especially indignant. He asked her where her father worked, and she told him in the mines. The girl also told the number of persons in the family, and finally Judge Gray said he would like to see the father.

"I would like to see the fathers of these girls," he repeated. "It may be a necessity to send them to the mills, but I don't think a father has a right to coin the flesh and blood of his children into money. It is an outrage. I would like to see what instincts he has."

Mr. Darrow, for the miners, said it was not altogether the fault of the parents, but the employers are to blame for not paying wages enough to permit a man to keep his children in school. Judge Gray replied:

"That may be, but there are miners who receive enough pay to enable them to keep their children out of the workhouse."

VANDERBILT VERY SICK.

Millionaire Inventor's Condition Excites Grave Apprehensions Among Physicians.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Statements made by Dr. Austin Flint, Jr., the attending physician and movements about the house tonight all indicate that the condition of Cornelius Vanderbilt is very serious. In fact, Dr. Flint said early last evening that Mr. Vanderbilt was a very sick man and that his condition was far more serious than that of a person in an ordinary case of typhoid fever.

Until a late hour tonight carriages arrived and departed frequently and there were more than the usual number of callers.

MISS ROSEMARY SARTORIS.
Granddaughter of Mrs. U. S. Grant, Who Was Present When Her Grandmother Died.

BURIAL ARRANGEMENTS AWAIT SON'S ARRIVAL

President Roosevelt Will Send Floral Piece from White House Conservatories.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The arrangements for the funeral of Mrs. Julia Dent Grant, the widow of the former president, will not be made until Brig.-Gen. Fred D. Grant, one of her sons, arrives from the west. It is expected that he will reach here Thursday.

The president will take no action on the death of Mrs. Grant beyond the sending of a handsome floral piece from the White House conservatories, conveying an expression of his grief and that of Mrs. Roosevelt.

BANKS FORM BIG POOL TO SUPPORT MARKET

New York Financiers Stand Ready to Loan $50,000,000 if Necessary.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—A number of banks of this city and J. P. Morgan & Co. have formed a pool of $50,000,000 to lend in the money market in the event of actual emergency.

The pool was organized by George F. Baker, president of the First National bank. That bank, J. P. Morgan & Co., the National City bank, Chase National bank, National Bank of Commerce, Hanover National bank, Fourth National and Western National have pledged themselves for $5,000,000 each. The Corn Exchange bank agrees to subscribe $2,000,000 and the Chemical National and the Bank of New York $1,000,000 each.

This measure is really protective, and it is not apprehended that any of the money will be actually needed. It will be put out, however, should the occasion arise.

The following will manage the pool: J. Pierpont Morgan, George Baker and James Stillman, president of the National City bank.

Following the precedent established by the late F. D. Tappen, who managed such pools in similar cases, the money will be put out "at the market" in unlimited amount. In this way the interest rate will be kept down to the legal rate, or lower if it is considered necessary.

MAY HAMMER AT HOME.

Young Woman Who Gained Notoriety in Pittsburgh Formerly Sang in Church Choir.

BUFFALO, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—That there is no place like home is now the firm belief of May Hammer, who has just returned to her quiet home in Buffalo in Pine street, to recuperate after a year's absence from this city, during which she figured in the Cuthbert shooting affray in Pittsburgh.

Twenty years old, educated and talented, is what folks who know say of May Hammer. She was a sweet singer in an East Side church choir up to two years ago. During the Pan-American exposition she left Buffalo.

"My daughter is afflicted since yesterday with a peculiar desire to talk to no one," said the mother of the Hammer girl. "The poor girl was misled and she is like a dumb person. But the doctor said yesterday that May would be all right in a few days."

FLOOR TUMBLES IN.

Thirty People Are Precipitated to Cellar and Five Are Seriously Injured.

ST. CHARLES, ILL., Dec. 15.—Thirty people were hurled from the first floor to the cellar of the Roche building here last night and five of them seriously injured. They are Charles Woodward, leg broken and later amputated; Mrs. Sherman Ankiel, internal injuries; Calvin Day, spine injured; Charles Ozman, skull fractured; Harry Oatman, ankle broken.

The building was overtaxed by the weight of several hundred people who were witnessing an entertainment, and a section of the main supports gave way.

GRISCOM NAMED.

Pennsylvanian Will Succeed the Late A. E. Buck as United States Minister to Japan.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The president today sent to the senate the nomination of Lloyd C. Griscom of Pennsylvania to be minister to Japan, vice Aifred E. Buck, who died recently.

Richmond Pearson, having by cable accepted the post of minister to Persia, W. H. Bishop has been appointed to succeed him as consul-general at Genoa, Italy. Mr. Bishop is professor of modern languages at Yale university.

STANDARD TO BUILD IMMENSE REFINERY.

MARION, IND., Dec. 15.—The Standard Oil Company has purchased a large tract of land near here on which they will erect one of the largest refineries in the world. The work will begin early in the spring. The Standard is also said to be behind a proposed Toledo, Fort Wayne & Indianapolis railroad, survey of which has been made and part of the right of way purchased.

Gen. Miles Goes to Peking.

PEKING, Dec. 15.—Lieutenant General Miles has telegraphed from Yokohama that he will arrive here December 26 and inspect the legation guard.

MAX G. LESLIE IS CHAIRMAN VICE BROWN

Recorder Pleads Official Duties and Ill Health in Resigning.

URGES LOYALTY TO ORGANIZATION

His Successor Talks Discouragingly of the Coming Local Campaign.

BEINHAUER RESOLUTIONS

I resign my position as city chairman because I am fully convinced that the coming campaign will require all of the time of the chairman and of a man in perfect health, neither of which I can give.

Secondly, as city recorder all of my time will be required in closing up the affairs of my administration; and, from my experience, I am clearly of the opinion that the holding of the dual office of city chairman and city recorder is incompatible and one not to the best interest of the Republican organization, one detracting from the duties of the other.

With the above words Recorder J. O. Brown last evening tendered the following resignation as chairman of the Republican city committee:

Pittsburgh, Pa.,
Dec. 15, 1902.

Republican City Executive Committee,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Gentlemen—As your chairman I herewith tender you my resignation, to take effect tonight. Thanking you for your kind and loyal support, I am very truly yours,
J. O. BROWN.

Mr. Brown continued: "I have been associated with the Republican organization since 1873, and for 26 years I have held some position in the organization. I intend to give the city committee my loyal Republican support. I intend, while I live, to be a Republican. The combination of circumstances is such that I am obliged to take the step I have taken."

The city committee was called to order in the common council chamber by Chairman J. O. Brown, who immediately called Senator W. A. Magee, Jr., to the chair. Mr. Brown then read his resignation.

Dr. A. J. Barchfeld eulogized Mr. Brown, but moved that the resignation be accepted, which was agreed to unanimously.

Brown Nominates Leslie.

Mr. Brown then nominated Max G. Leslie to succeed him, and the election was unanimous. Mr. Leslie, in accepting the office, said:

Mr. Leslie said:

"If victory can be obtained honorably, every effort will be made by me to obtain it, but if defeat should attend our efforts in the coming campaign, no stain or disgrace will rest upon the Republican party. We enter upon the city recorder's ship campaign tomorrow morning. The Republican headquarters will be open from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m., and your chairman will be there every day during these hours. We should select as our candidate a man of standing and of character, who would administer with fidelity the duties of the office. We wish to call on all young Republicans to come to the aid of the party, for there was never a better opportunity than now to enter politics. I, as chairman, will not represent any man or particular set of men."

On motion of Dr. Barchfeld, F. C. Beinhauer was elected vice chairman.

A number of resolutions, the intent of which is to run out of the organization any district or ward committeeman or ward chairman who assisted in the Citizens movement or may assist it in future, were adopted.

Must All Go Along.

The resolutions provide that if any officer of a district association has opposed or shall oppose Republican candidates, his ward organization may declare his place vacant and elect a successor, if a member of the ward committee has done or shall do the same, the city chairman is authorized to declare his place vacant and the chairman of the city executive committee and the ward committee may fill the vacancy; an unfaithful ward chairman may be ousted by his ward committee.

Section 2 of rule 8, requiring the primaries to be held on the third Saturday of January was amended, and the next primaries will be held on the first Saturday of January.

Then arose Mr. Beinhauer. He first read a preamble blaming the "reformers" for not having effected the reforms they are trying to secure, and then read the resolutions. They demand that the affairs of the city be conducted on business principles, that there be no higher millage than 15, a reduction of water rents, the completion of the filtration plant and its extension to all parts of the city, the erection of public bathing places, and just and equal taxation.

Slap at Recorder Brown.

The sixth resolution has been interpreted as a slap at Recorder Brown, for it demands that there shall be no "ripping out of employment" of any city employe except for cause, dereliction of duty or inefficiency, and that no non-residents be employed by the city. The other resolutions oppose the slating of any candidate for office, demand that no assistance be given by the organization to any candidates at the primaries and that all reform be started within the ranks.

David Wilbert moved that the resolutions be referred to the committee on platform, and W. A. Magee said the organization ought not to fix the millage, but should let the responsibility rest with councils. Mr. Wilbert's motion was adopted by a vote of 28 ayes to 13 nays.

MONT PELEE LAVA OBLITERATES RIVER

PARIS, Dec. 15.—The French scientific mission to the island of Martinique has reported to M. Doumergue, minister of colonies, that since the crumbling of the cone of Mont Pelee the Blanche river has been completely obliterated by lava and that ashes are spreading over the valley of the river to a distance of three miles. Very high temperatures have been recorded on the island lately.

THINGS GO ON IN A FREE AND EASY WAY OVER THE "ARCADE"

Diamond Street Resort Said to Have Police Protection.

NO FEAR OF ARREST FELT BY PATRONS

Rooms Over "Peasey" Richardson's Place Freely Used for Drinking Purposes.

EMMA TALKED FREELY

"Peasy" Richardson's place, at No. 227 Diamond street, known as the "Arcade," is one of the resorts reported to be assured of police protection, and the way in which it is run seems to give evidence of that fact.

This establishment has been visited by Gazette reporters on different occasions. Each time the scenes witnessed were of a shocking character. After midnight drunken women and swaggering toughs can be found drinking in the place, despite the assurance of Superintendent of Police John McAleese that such places are not running and that he will not allow them to run. Many of the men who are seen in Richardson's place are listed during election times as residents of the first four wards of the city and are known as proteges of the politicians who are prominent in those wards.

Arcade Is Easily Found.

In the afternoon the "Arcade" is operated under the direction of Mrs. Richardson. The night turn is looked after by "Peasy" himself. The place is easily found. It is a small, white-painted building near the lower end of Diamond street. The ground floor is filled with musical machines that are kept going nearly all the time, producing anything but a musical volume of noise. Besides these musical machines there are many slot machines of various kinds. But the truly sensational conditions are found on the upper floors.

One reaches these upper floors by traversing an alleyway adjoining the "Arcade" building near the Market street side. Two large electric lights illumine the stairway leading to the rooms where the free and easy drinking is done.

Disorder on the Upper Floors.

As one begins to ascend the stairway the loud talk of loud men and women can be heard, mingled with the screechy noise from a phonograph. At the door one is met by a red-faced lookout. Why he is kept there is a question. He certainly is not ornamental and he does not appear to be useful, for he apparently never stops anyone.

At the head of the stairway there are two rooms, one just to the right of the stairway and the other at the end of the hall, about 20 feet away. Both are decorated with artificial ferns and flowers and chairs a-plenty are provided for the comfort of patrons.

No sooner is a man inside the rooms on almost any evening, than he is approached by women whose faces are familiar in the lower disorderly house district of the city, and they ask if they can drink with the visitor. Once this privilege is granted, it is not long until the women become loud. They do not hesitate to raise their skirts and dance in a most reckless and abandoned fashion, for the delectation of the men they have snared. Seldom is anything done to stop these performances. Sometimes, it is true, the assemblage becomes wildly noisy, and then the head waiter, white-haired Jimmy Kane, interferes and the dancing stops temporarily.

Emma, Queen of the Diamond.

Scattered about these upper rooms are slot gambling machines where one can hazard on one's luck by turning the colors.

On a certain night two Gazette reporters visited these upper rooms. The presiding genius of the speakeasy, Jimmy Kane, had served them with beer and withdrawn, when a large, fairly good looking Irish girl, dressed in black and wearing a large Gainsborough hat, who answered to the name of "Emma," approached the reporters.

"Say, I never saw you guys here before," she said. "Suppose you be good fellows and give me some coin to play the machines. Hey, Jimmy, you bring me a bottle of beer. These lads will pay for it."

She played the machines and drank the beer. The woman was slightly intoxicated and was talkative. Several other women entered the place and all welcomed Emma as the favorite of Diamond alley. Indeed, she seemed to be something of a queen. After she had played the "machines" and lost the "coin," and had another drink of beer, she sat down to talk. As stated, she was in a talkative condition. A gentle query was made as to the possibility of the place being raided.

No Danger of Being Pinched.

"What? you fellows think that you might be pinched?" she shouted. "Well, that makes me laugh. Why, you are just as safe here as though you were standing in the doors of the front office. And I think a blasted sight better off, for you are not so sure of yourself when Demmel is about.

"But Demmel or McAleese will not bother you here. 'Peasey' has everything fixed this time. Those two officers cannot drive 'Peasey' out of business again, and he will do a land office business until those men go out of office. Then if the ward leader is strong, 'Peasey' will carry on his operations the same as ever.

"I am in this house every night, and I have a key to 'Honey' O'Neil's place. All the girls have keys to that place. You don't need a key to get in here. I am the best 'booster' that 'Peasey' and 'Honey' has. And you bet I am for them, good and strong. If a guy gets too fresh with any of us girls, 'Peasey' and Jimmy kick him out.

"And you can bet," concluded Emma, thumping the table, "that one of McAleese's coppers will meet the guy at the end of the stairway, and if he is still fresh he will go to the cooler."

"Lots of Fun to Be Had."

There was another woman with Emma. She said she was a married woman, and that her husband was at work. There was not the dash and abandon about her there was about Emma, she resembled a hard-working woman, who knew but little about the degraded life and surroundings she had been ushered into. This second woman wanted to go home, but Jimmy pushed her back on her chair and bought another round of drinks. Then the woman wept.

"You are a softy," said Emma. "Why, you don't want to go home. What did you come with me for, but to have a time? And if you stick with Jimmy's push you will have lots of fun."

"Say, boys," said Emma, "you were talking about getting pinched in a raid. Why, McAleese's coppers help to keep order here. I know what I am talking about, for I have been here every night since election, and you bet they are all right. But, say, let's go to 'Honey' O'Neil's and see 'Frenchy.' He is a better waiter than Jimmy."

"Where are you going?" demanded the white-haired Jimmy.

Emma Gets a Commission.

"We are going to 'Honey's' joint," answered Emma. "We want to see 'Frenchy.' He is a better waiter than you."

As Emma passed out of the room Jimmy handed her some change. It was her share of the receipts for soliciting for the reporter's party.

As the party passed out of the alley Emma said that Jimmy took in $150 a night.

"On Sunday he takes in $400," she said, "and the principal graft from the place goes to the police."

Recorder J. O. Brown yesterday announced that his orders to the police in regard to the suppression of gambling and other forms of vice had not changed in any particular since he made the declaration at the time he was inaugurated as recorder that he would be "a foe to the thief, thug and gambler," and they must go. He said:

Brown's High Sounding Talk.

"I will stand by the declaration I made when I went into office, and that is the platform I intend to follow for the short time I will remain at the head of the affairs of the city. The order to the superintendent of police to proceed against violators of the law remains unchanged and he is responsible to me for its being carried out. No favoritism will be shown, and no politician or city official will have influence in assisting the guilty ones to escape punishment."

Supt. McAleese, following Recorder Brown's lead, declared that he also knew of no open gambling houses or any other place where the law is violated, and indignantly called on anyone to produce evidence against any such, whereupon he promises to make raids. It is easy enough to obtain evidence as the experience of Gazette reporters, detailed above, demonstrates. There is no news for the police in the recital that has been given. The police know of Richardson's place and of what goes on there. No effort has ever been made to suppress the place, and "Emma" appears to feel confident that none will be made.

(Sketched by a Gazette Staff Artist.)
Interior of One of the Rooms Over "Peasey" Richardson's "Arcade," in the Diamond.

DRANK TWO VIALS OF CARBOLIC ACID

William H. Dunnabant Was Despondent and Ended His Life.

After draining an ounce and a half of carbolic acid from two vials, William H. Dunnabant, a gas maker, 36 years old, died at his home, No. 421 First street, Allegheny, yesterday morning. When his wife returned to the house yesterday afternoon she discovered her husband was dead. Dunnabant, according to his wife, had been drinking whisky heavily. On Sunday Mrs. Dunnabant went to visit her husband's sister, in Western avenue, Allegheny.

She says her husband called there late Sunday night in an intoxicated condition, and left the house in a short time, saying he was going home. Mrs. Dunnabant claims her husband was despondent, and attributes that as the cause of his suicide.

Mrs. Julia C. Martin, wife of John Martin, called at the morgue last night and identified the body of her husband, who was killed at the corner of Penn avenue and Third street shortly after 11 o'clock yesterday morning by being run over by a street car. Martin was a clerk at the Duquesne freight station, and attempted to cross the street car tracks when he was struck.

Andy Kostora, a Pole, died at St. John's hospital yesterday morning. Kostora is supposed to have died from a wound inflicted by a friend in the Monongahela river coal district about three months ago. About that time Kostora removed to McKees Rocks and took up his residence with Nicholas Evans in Helen avenue. An examination showed his skull had been fractured.

Charles Gregory, 70 years old, was found dead in the rear of his home, No. 2006 Fifth avenue, McKeesport, yesterday morning. Gregory had been very melancholy since the death of his wife, about a year ago, and although he had been ailing of late, refused to call a physician. Sunday night he went to the coalshed for a bucket of coal. He reached the rear steps with his burden when he fell and died.

Michael Fox, 23 years old, of No. 703 Ohio street, Allegheny, fell dead while working in a barber shop at No. 524 East Ohio street, yesterday afternoon.

Caesar Ley of No. 85 Fountain street, Allegheny, died Saturday from injuries received by falling down stairs. He was a laborer, 45 years of age and married.

Antonio Jurinowitz, a miner, aged 20 years, was killed yesterday by a fall of slate in Pine Ridge coal mine, near Oakdale, on the Panhandle railroad.

Joseph Conshaw, a laborer at the Pennsylvania Salt Manufacturing Company's plant at Natrona, was caught in a cogwheel and fatally crushed yesterday morning. He was 20 years of age and single.

The two unknown men at the morgue up until a late hour last night had not been identified. The man found in the Allegheny river did not prove to be William Henry Ford of Allegheny. The other unidentified is that of a white man who was killed by a street car in Second avenue near Lock No. 1 on Saturday.

William O. Russell, a clerk, aged 55 years, of No. 226 Bertha street, Mt. Washington, died at his home shortly after 9 o'clock last night. Yesterday afternoon his wife discovered him at the Homeopathic hospital and removed him to his home.

WIRES BROKEN DOWN BY WEIGHT OF ICE

Frozen Rain Interferes With Telegraphic Communication—No Flood Here.

Telegraphic and telephonic communication to all points within several hundred miles of Pittsburgh has been considerably interfered with within the past 24 hours on account of broken wires. This is true especially east of Pittsburgh. The heavy rain falling over all the country at present has frozen on wires and, freighted with thick coatings of ice, the wires have either fallen or been blown down by the high wind. The trouble started early Saturday morning. Last night the Postal telegraph was working only three out of 15 wires between Pittsburgh and New York.

From Ebensburg east to the coast the wires were down almost everywhere, and from Columbus west to Cincinnati, Indianapolis and St. Louis the trouble existed. The Postal's big line between Erie and Ebensburg, one of the main lines east, was out of service all day yesterday.

The bulk of the business east last night was being sent via Cleveland. Along the lake front the storm is not so severe, and although rain is falling the temperature between Cleveland and Buffalo is not low enough to freeze the wet wires. Both the Postal and Western Union have gangs of linemen in all parts of the country, and it was said last night that unless the present conditions continued all lines would be in working condition tonight.

Yesterday's storm was due to abnormally high pressure over the New England states and the middle Atlantic coast. This condition averted a big flood on the rivers in Pittsburgh. The storm which prevailed in Texas Sunday yesterday moved to Southern Illinois and last night was central in the lake regions. This movement of the storm caused general rains over the central valleys north to the great lakes, becoming excessive in the lower Mississippi and Tennessee valleys.

The storm will move out the St. Lawrence river valley, and, according to the weather bureau, should disappear from this field of observation today. Last night the local rivers were falling, the heavy rain yesterday, amounting to .38 of an inch, not being sufficient to check the fall. Special river reports received at the local weather office last night showed that about one inch of rain fell over the Monongahela and Allegheny river valleys during the day. It is predicted that there will be a slight rise on the rivers today, but it will not be sufficient to cause a flood.

TEACHER QUITS JOB.

Vacancy in the Allegheny High School Force.

The Allegheny High school committee last night accepted the resignation of Miss May S. Patterson, teacher of English, and authorized Supt. Morrow to hold an examination to fill the vacancy. The position pays between $1,200 and $1,400.

Secretary Gerwig reported that he had delivered to Tarson, Leach & Co., the recently authorized bonds, amounting to $125,000. James Ebright was nominated to take charge of the heating and electrical machinery of the High school at a salary of $75 a month.

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Ordinarily some people are disposed to defer buying a fine piano until after the holidays, feeling that they may, perhaps, secure a better price by so doing. As a rule, however, those who wait are obliged to make their selection from whatever odds and ends are left over after the holiday trade has taken the best of the stock.

But we determined to make an innovation this year. Therefore, we laid in a magnificent stock to insure the success of this innovation. It will be necessary, however, for intending purchasers to come in as early as possible. The fine quality of the pianos and the extraordinarily low prices, will undoubtedly cause such a rush toward the end of the week, that the supply may be exhausted, ample as it now seems. And, of course, it would be utterly impossible to renew the supply on short notice, without running the risk of getting hastily finished pianos.

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Now, don't postpone the purchase of an instrument until you can pay all cash. We make very little difference between the spot cash price and that on monthly payments. Bring along what cash you can spare for the purpose and we will make terms to suit you for whatever balance remains.

We are determined to make this one of the greatest pre-Christmas sales of our business career.

The store will remain open every day from 8 a. m. till 10 p. m., but in case you should find it impossible to come in to make a selection, just drop us a postal card and we will send one of our salesmen to call on you, or, if you prefer, we will send you a catalogue and full particulars by mail. If it is convenient for you to reach us by telephone, call up on the Bell 'phone, 151 Grant, or on the P. & A., 402 Main.

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MYSTERIOUS FIRE ON THE NORTHSIDE

Firemen Keep Flames from Destroying Several Manufacturing Plants.

Fire, the origin of which is unknown, seriously damaged the property of the Phoenix Steel Wire Company, in Allegheny avenue, First ward, Allegheny, last night. About 6:35 o'clock an alarm was sent in from box 38, at the corner of Allegheny avenue and Rebecca street, and was followed in a few minutes by two other alarms.

The department responded quickly and saved a number of dwelling houses on the opposite side of the street, which were in imminent danger of being ignited by flying sparks. The plant of the Phoenix company is located in a frame structure at Rebecca street, Allegheny and South avenues, and is owned by Peter Reisick, one of the tenants. Adjoining Mr. Reisick's department are the works of the Baker Manufacturing Company and next is the Phoenix company's shop, where the fire made its appearance. Beyond that is the sheet iron and copper works of Walter Papencordt. All these various workshops obtain their steam power from Reisick, and there were no boilers or known fire in the department occupied by the Phoenix company, which is composed of Isaac Higgins of Sharpsburg and Joseph Simonton of the East End. Their damage is estimated at about $3,000, fully covered by insurance.

Mr. Reisick estimated his loss at about $800, and stated that an equal amount would cover the losses sustained by the firms adjoining the Phoenix company. While the fire made a big blaze, and for awhile the whole building appeared doomed, the firemen succeeded in confining the flames to the Phoenix company's works.

The house of John Horne, at South and Allegheny avenues, caught fire at the roof and was slightly damaged.

On New Year's Day, 1900, the Riesick building caught fire in a similar manner. There were rumors that last night's fire was of incendiary origin.

Small Blaze in Grant Street.

Fire slightly damaged the wall and ceiling of the fourth floor of the building occupied by the Albert J. Thrasher Mercantile Company, dealers in wholesale grocer specialties, at No. 734 Grant street, and owned by the Denny estate. The blaze was caused by a small gas stove igniting the wood work and the damage from fire and water will not exceed $500.

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TAXES TO BE RAISED TO COMPLETE ANNEX

Bond Issue for New Allegheny High School Falls Short of Amount Needed.

An increase of one mill in the school tax is the potion which the Allegheny central school board is preparing to administer to the North Side taxpayers next year. According to information received by Chief Assessor Andrew D. Armstrong, the school levy for 1903 will be raised from three to four mills to meet a deficiency in the funds provided by bond issue to erect the annex to the high school building. Mr. Armstrong stated last night that he had been informed that the proceeds from the last bond sale for the high school annex were not sufficient to complete the annex, and that the school board proposed to raise the millage, rather than ask the taxpayers to submit to another bond issue.

An additional mill will raise about $85,000. The high school annex has been a costly affair, and the cause of much strife among the members of the central board. The school board made a raise of half a mill this year, and the proposition to make still another raise next year will likely arouse considerable protest.

If the city tax is not changed the addition of one mill to the school levy will make the total tax in Allegheny 17½ mills, which is 2½ mills in excess of the present total millage of Pittsburgh.

There is also some talk of increasing the city levy one and a half mills. If this is done the total millage will be 19 for 1903. Chief Assessor Armstrong stated last night that the increase in valuations from new buildings this year would not be over $1,000,000. The total valuation, according to the last triennial assessment, is about $85,000,000.

HAMILTON'S PIANOS EASY TO BUY.

People remark every day about how easy it is to secure a piano at Hamilton's. The stock is so much larger than that carried by any other music house hereabout that the advantage of selecting an instrument here is very great. It is a positive treat to go through this store and see the splendid pianos of various makes. And what is even more pleasurable is the fact that one may buy any piano here on easy terms of payment. Yes, this applies to the most elegant piano as well as to the least expensive. And you never in all your life saw so many handsome pianos intended for Christmas gifts, nor did you ever before see so many reserved for Christmas delivery. It would seem that the majority of persons had awakened to a realization of the superiority of a piano as a Christmas gift. It is a splendid article to give any person and its very character precludes the thought that it will ever be forgotten. The best instruments produced are sold at Hamilton's and the terms of payment are so attractive that you need not care whether you have much or little ready cash. The fact is, there is very little difference at this store between the cash price and the price charged when the instrument is bought on time.

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PORK AND POTATOES POISON FOUR CHILDREN

One Victim Suffers from Lockjaw When Doctor Arrives. Others Unconscious.

Police Officer John Kelty returned to his home, No. 7715 Frankstown avenue, early yesterday to find his four children at the point of death as the result of mysterious poisoning. The victims are:

JAMES KELTY, aged 16 years.
MARGARET KELTY, aged 12 years.
WILLIAM KELTY, aged 9 years.
THOMAS KELTY, aged 7 years.

Dr. J. M. Taylor of No. 7700 Frankstown avenue was hastily called. When he arrived James' jaws were locked and his pulse was almost imperceptible. Margaret's condition was but little better. The two younger children were not suffering so acutely, but were in a comatose condition, from which it was almost impossible to arouse them. The physician worked over his four patients for a long time and late last night believed they were on the road to rapid recovery.

Dr. Taylor was convinced that the children were victims of animal poison. They ate for supper roast pork and sweet potatoes, and like most children of their age, ate heartily. Officer Kelty also participated in the meal, but beyond a slight drowsiness and nauseau did not suffer.

A portion of the pork left from the meal will be analyzed to determine if it contained poison, and if so, what was its character.

UP TO OLD TRICKS

Machine Arrests Greeks, On Flimsy Pretext, for Political Purposes.

A determined effort was made yesterday afternoon by the Pittsburgh police department to swing the Greek vote of the First ward from the Citizens party to the organization. Because of little more than a boarding house quarrel 13 Greeks were arrested in the residence of Nicholas Waskas, at No. 21 Diamond street, and locked up in the Central police station by Asst. Supt. William Wilson and Lieut. Garret Crossan.

The proprietor of the place was released on a bond of $500, while all the other Greeks arrested were let out on forfeits of $15 each. A ring alderman in the First ward had two of the prisoners released, and it was stated last night other organization workers put up forfeits for the remaining prisoners.

The arrests were made shortly after 3 o'clock yesterday on the strength of a telephone message received by Supt. John McAleese that there had been a shooting affray in the place, and S. A. Crasta had been shot in the index finger of his right hand. When released Crasta denied he had been shot, but stated he had his finger mashed in a mill.

Tried to Sell Gold Coins.

Edward Jones, 19 years old, was yesterday sent to the insane ward at Marshalsea by the department of charities and corrections. Jones, when arrested, was going from house to house in Penn avenue and asking the occupants if they wanted to buy $5 gold pieces for 10 cents. The police were unable to learn where he came from.

WIDENING INDORSED

East End Board of Trade Approves Proposed Fifth Avenue Improvement.

The East End board of trade last evening unanimously adopted a resolution offered by Frank O. Van Gorder, indorsing the proposed widening of Fifth avenue from Frankstown to Penn avenues. Nominations for officers were made as follows: President, James S. Youngson; vice president, O. H. Allerton, H. H. Ward, T. D. Harmon, Homer L. Castle; treasurer, J. P. Authammer; secretary, Frank O. Van Gorder, S. A. Dickie, W. P. Amos. For board of directors, 10 to elect: S. A. Dickie, F. O. Van Gorder, T. D. Harmon, H. H. Negley, Chauncey Lobinger, J. W. Wallace, Henry Baum, W. H. Goehring, E. S. Kuhn, W. P. Amos, N. K. Delavan, D. S. Shaw, H. H. Wood, O. H. Allerton, H. W. Fisher, Homer L. Castle, W. R. Kuhn, J. P. Stevens, J. J. Matthews, Joseph Proun, H. P. Lucas, H. T. Hanna, William McFarland, James Rodgers, W. T. Kessler, and J. W. Spahr. The election will be held in January.

No Action on Bridges.

The special commission of Allegheny councils appointed to consider the proposed raising of the bridges over the Allegheny river between the two cities, met last night, but decided to wait until after the hearing on January 6 before the United States engineer.

ENGLAND IS NOT THIRSTING FOR BLOOD

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the Italian ships. The proceedings against Venezuela thus become in every respect tripartite.

Later it became known that the foreign office here had received Secretary Hay's communication concerning the Venezuelan blockade. Its terms were not disclosed, but it was understood to express the hope that the blockade would be a peaceful one.

Allusion was made in Secretary Hay's note to the sinking of the two Venezuelan vessels, and the note, it is considered here, does not modify the United States' general attitude of friendly reserve. The precise character of the blockade has not yet been notified to the powers. Great Britain and Germany, however, have agreed thereon. The German government submitted a draft of the notification of the blockade today to the bundesrath, whose approval is necessary, because of the blockade being an act of war and the bundesrath must, under the constitution, sanction it.

Depending on United States.

CARACAS, VENEZUELA, Dec. 14.—Inaction reigns in government circles here. The officials do not know what to do and are depending entirely upon the United States to assist them.

A movement is on foot here, headed by prominent doctors and lawyers, to request President Castro to resign and to ask Vice President Ramon Ayala to assume the presidency and form a cabinet without party tendencies. It is also proposed to summon congress to appoint a temporary president and arrange the questions in dispute in a manner satisfactory to all concerned.

Gen. Hernandez, "El Mocho," who has just been released from prison at Maracaibo, is expected at Caracas tomorrow. His partisans are very active and further trouble is apprehended.

The Venezuelan government announces that Great Britain has opened the navigation of the Orinoco river. Two warships will patrol the mouths of the river and the river itself. This measure applies only to foreign ships. Vessels flying the Venezuelan flag are excluded. The government also reports that the German cruiser Panther is going to Maracaibo to destroy the forts there.

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DIRECTORS TILT OVER THE WABASH

Robert Pitcairn Takes Angry Exceptions to Remarks of Oliver McClintock.

NOT AN OBSTRUCTIONIST

Acrimonious Discussion in the Chamber of Commerce Over Railroad Ordinances — Captain John F. Dravo Takes a Hand.

"The remarks of the other gentlemen on this matter are obviously directed at me as the representative of the Pennsylvania railroad. It is unfortunate that a member of this body cannot come here and express himself as any citizen would without being insulted. Because I am an officer of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company I am like one ostracized among my fellows."

This is part of an address made angrily by Robert Pitcairn before the directors of the chamber of commerce yesterday, after Mr. Pitcairn had been ruled down when trying to suppress a report favorable to the Wabash, presented by Oliver McClintock. Continuing, Mr. Pitcairn said:

"I deny that the Pennsylvania railroad is opposing the entrance of the Wabash. If I should dare to put any obstruction in the way of the Wabash, in this body, I should get myself into trouble. My instructions are different. No citizen of Pittsburgh would welcome the entrance of the Wabash more than I. The Pennsylvania railroad does not profess to own Duquesne way, and I will say that the Wabash officials themselves have changed their own ordinances. The Pennsylvania has no influence whatever to persuade councils to do such a thing."

Became Rather Personal.

All this followed the reading of the paper by Mr. McClintock. When the latter asked to be allowed to read the paper Mr. Pitcairn objected bitterly and demanded that the report be sent at once to the proper committee. Capt. John F. Dravo took a hand in the argument, and he and Mr. Pitcairn injected considerable sarcasm and personal flings into their talk.

H. Kirke Porter, who, in the absence of President Logan, occupied the chair, admitted the reading of the paper, which was then referred to the committee on transportation after the chamber had passed an amendment advising that the representatives of the various transportation companies be brought together with the view to settling amicably the difficulties existing.

The trouble really started when Secretary George H. Anderson began to read a letter from Attorney A. M. Neeper, counsel for the Wabash. Mr. Pitcairn objected to this, and was ruled down by Chairman Porter. When Mr. Anderson had finished, Mr. McClintock asked that he be allowed to read a paper relative to freight conditions and a possible remedy. Mr. Pitcairn was on his feet instantly crying:

"I object! I object! The gentleman is out of order."

Wishes for 500 Carnegies.

Capt. Dravo at this moment was recognized and made the following remarks: "My interest in this matter is simply that of a public-spirited citizen. I have no interests of any character that can be affected either by the Wabash or Pennsylvania ordinances. But as a fair-minded citizen I am opposed to having a new road refused entrance to Pittsburgh because rival roads anticipate probable interference with their transportation monopoly. I am for the Wabash, and I wish there were 500 Carnegies to speak for better transportation for Pittsburgh, as Andrew Carnegie did a few days ago."

"I move that the gentleman who just spoke be appointed a committee of one to adjust all these difficulties. He knows it all," came quickly from Mr. Pitcairn.

At this Chairman Porter called for order. He said that the arguments of some of the members had their birth in bitter prejudice, and that such discussion should cease at once. Short as it was the tilt between Messrs. Pitcairn, McClintock and Dravo caused considerable excitement in the body.

Objects to Amendments.

Attorney Neeper's letter was an appeal to the chamber of commerce to use any influence possible in the city council to assist in having the Wabash ordinances passed as originally presented. Mr. Neeper asserted that the ordinances had been so amended that in their present form they made the entrance of the Wabash into Pittsburgh an impossibility. The following items he said were eliminated:

The right to erect columns or supports in the streets crossed overhead, by setting them on the curb lines of such streets.

The right to construct the South Side branch.

And making it obligatory to so construct the Allegheny branch at Duquesne way that the lowest point of the structure forming the crossing at Duquesne way would have an elevation of at least 758 feet above tidal line.

Mr. McClintock's paper was prefaced by a preamble setting forth the transportation stagnation and the imperative demand for a remedy. The existing railway systems, he said, were entirely inadequate to cope with the rapidly increasing commercial and manufacturing interests of this vicinity. The paper concluded with the following:

Extending an Olive Branch.

Resolved, By the chamber of commerce, That in the matter of the proposed franchises to the Wabash railway now pending in councils, the three rival railway companies are urged to adjust any mechanical or engineering difficulties by mutual conference and in a spirit of comity; and we further urge upon councils decisive and favorable action at the earliest practicable moment. Councils should safe-guard the city, but at the same time secure all additional facilities possible, no matter under what corporate name. Every business interest calls for this, and every railroad will receive great benefit from any new advance made even by its own competitors. Just as the Pennsylvania railroad has increased its traffic many fold since the entrance of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie, and the Bessemer, so all these three railways will benefit by the coming of the Wabash.

When Mr. Pitcairn objected and was ruled down by the chair, Mr. McClintock said: "Mr. Pitcairn has obviously misunderstood me. In view of the existing freight conditions, this paper was prepared in the hope that at the advice of the chamber of commerce the councils would settle the matter by taking immediate action. The result to be achieved is for the good of the city and not for the injury of the Pennsylvania railroad, as Mr. Pitcairn evidently thinks."

The letter from Attorney Neepe and that presented by Mr. McClintock were sent to the transportation committee.

For Somerset Camp Site.

John C. Aldrich presented a resolution in effect that the chamber of commerce declare favorably on the bill, now in the hands of Senator Quay, providing for purchase by the war department of a large tract of land in Somerset, Pa., for the site of a permanent camp site for the Pennsylvania National Guard. The paper was referred to committee.

Chairman Porter was instructed to appoint five delegates to the national board of trade in session in Washington, D. C., on January 12. The committee on membership reported that 13 new members had been admitted.

The select council committee on corporations is called to meet on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock for the purpose of considering the Wabash and Pennsylvania railroad ordinances referred to it. It was said that the committee would not be in a hurry to rush them. The regular meeting of councils will not be held for two weeks and it is not the present intention to call a special meeting to consider them. The committee, therefore, will probably hold several meetings before councils meet.

At a meeting of the Thirteenth ward Republicans in the Moorehead school building last night, resolutions were passed asking councils to pass ordinances allowing the Wabash railroad to enter the city.

MUST LEAVE PITTSBURGH.

City's Second Chinese Woman and Alleged Husband Are to Go.

After promising to leave Pittsburgh within 24 hours Yut Kew, the Chinese woman, and her alleged husband, Yee Ton, arrested on Sunday at the place of Yee Chin in Second avenue, by Detectives George Waggonner and Richard Kelley, were discharged at the Central station hearings yesterday morning by Magistrate McKenna.

The celestial couple have been in the city for seven weeks, and both expressed regret at having to shake the dust of Pittsburgh from their feet in such a short time. The detectives have been shadowing them in the hope of being able to locate two other Chinamen, wanted by the San Francisco police. Yee Ton was charged with being a common gambler, and the detectives stated they believed Yut Kew had come here to start a Chinese disorderly house. There is only one other Chinese woman in the city.

Hurt When Wagon Overturned.

The overturning of an ice wagon at Marshall avenue and Brighton road, Allegheny, yesterday morning, resulted in the serious injury of William Burgman, the driver, and three others. Burgman's right arm was broken and his hands lacerated. He was taken to St. John's hospital. William Nesbit, the driver's helper, suffered a fracture to his left arm. Ralph and Thomas Small, two schoolboys riding on the wagon, were cut and bruised. They were taken home.

THE WEATHER.

More rain is predicted for Pittsburgh and vicinity today by the Washington observer. This, according to his forecast, will be the last of the storm, as snow and colder conditions will prevail in this section tomorrow. The rainfall yesterday amounted to .38 of an inch and continued from noon until midnight. Yesterday's maximum temperature was 40 and the minimum 23 degrees.

Rain.

The Gazette weather service thermometers at Kaufmann's corner at the following hours yesterday registered:

12 noon..... 36 deg. | 8 p. m..... 40 deg.
4 p. m..... 36 deg. | 12 midnight ... 37 deg.

Time of sunrise today.....7:19 a. m.
Time of sunset today.....4:34 p.m.

Daily report for yesterday furnished by United States weather bureau:

Time.	Bar.	Tem.	Hum.	Wind.	Weather.
8 a. m....	30.44	32	83	S.E.	Cloudy
8 p. m....	30.19	40	96	S.E.	Rain

Comparative temperature and precipitation for December 15:

	1901	1900	1899	1898	1897	1896
Maximum	31	26	35	34	47	44
Minimum	7	11	25	13	40	32
Mean	19	18	30	28	44	38
Precipitation	.80	T.	.24	..	.31	.05

Maximum temperature (8 p. m.).....40
Minimum temperature (12 midnight).....23
Mean temperature.....32
Normal temperature (for 31 years).....35
Deficiency in temperature for the day.....3
Deficiency in temperature since Dec. 1.....47
Excess in temperature since Jan. 1.....165
Normal precipitation (for 31 years).....09
Precipitation for the day.....38
Excess in precipitation for the day.....29
Excess in precipitation since Dec. 1.....31
Deficiency in precipitation since Jan. 1.....4.98

Government Weather Report.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 15.—Forecast for Tuesday and Wednesday:

Western Pennsylvania—Rain in south, rain or snow in northern portion Tuesday; high south winds, shifting to west; Wednesday snow and colder.

West Virginia—Rain or snow and colder Tuesday; Wednesday fair.

Ohio—Rain Tuesday, probably turning to snow, colder in the western and southern portions; high southwest winds, shifting to northwest; Wednesday fair.

Observations taken at weather bureau stations at 8 p. m.:

Pittsburgh	40 Rain	New York	32 Cloudy
Cincinnati	52 Rain	Philadelphia	30 Snow
Parkersb'g	44 Rain	Washington	32 Rain
Louisville	52 Rain	Huron	20 Snow
Memphis	44 Cloudy	St. Paul	24 Snow
St. Louis	36 Cloudy	Marquette	30 Snow
Cairo	40 Cloudy	Vicksburg	50 Cloudy
Chicago	34 Cloudy	New Orleans	60 Rain
G'd Haven	36 Rain	QuAppella.	8 Clear
Buffalo	34 Rain	Norfolk	48 Cloudy
Cleveland	38 Rain	Jacksonville	70 Cloudy

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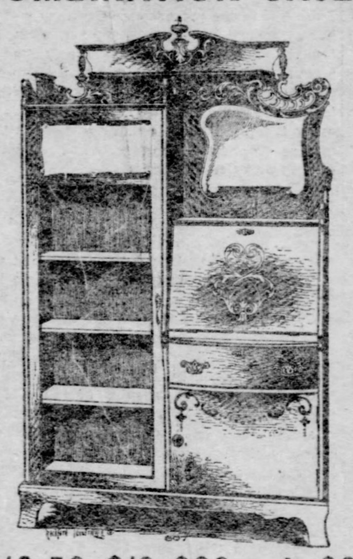

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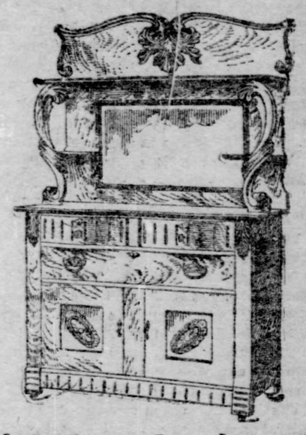

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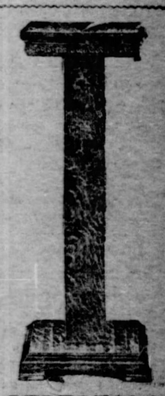

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Umbrellas:		Dressing Sacques	75c to $2.50
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Taffeta Silk (fancy handles)	$2.00 to $5.00	Pocketbooks	10c to $1.00
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Blankets (wool)	$3.00 to $5.00	Dress Goods:	
Comforts (cotton)	$1.00 to $2.50	Cheviots	50c to $1.00
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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1902.

FOURTEEN PAGES.

The dilatory methods of the coal operators are so delaying the work of the strike commission that at the present rate it will be a long while before the commission can get hold of the case. Judge Gray, the chairman, who has heretofore admonished the operators to be more expeditious, has now made a practical movement towards shaping the issues by submitting a statement of the evidence desired by the commission. In some way or other the business of the commission must be advanced or the public will be apt to conclude that the proceedings are of no practical value.

The shipment of thousands of tons of coal and other freights on the present rise of water from Pittsburgh to points south ought to be an inspiration to advocates of Ohio river improvement. The movement down the Ohio is a speaking evidence of the state of things almost 365 days in the year were there a navigable stage of water at all times, independent of the floods periodically supplied by nature. The Ohio ought to be a thoroughfare for interchange of commodities between the north and south all the year round, except the few days when ice interferes, instead of at irregular intervals. Now is the time to press the matter.

A suspicion is probably abroad in England that that country is playing the kaiser's game in Venezuela, and it is reported that orders against further aggressive action may be issued. England was originally associated with France in the ill-starred Mexican expedition, but withdrew when the movement took the shape of permanent territorial occupation. It now looks as if England is putting the brakes on the Venezuelan expedition. Meanwhile President Castro's copious eloquence shows no abatement. Although still shy on the debt question he neglects no opportunity to declare that his heart beats warm for his native land.

Recorder Brown resigned the chairmanship of the Republican city committee last evening, assigning the reasons that his official duties leave him no time to attend to campaign work and that the two positions are incompatible. A wise conclusion late in being reached. The fair interpretation of the second clause is that city employes are to be free to vote as they please and, not under compulsion to contribute to campaign funds. M. G. Leslie, who was elected chairman to succeed Mr. Brown, is so well known that an introduction would be superfluous. Everyone knows the interests he represents. But it will be interesting to note what effect the change may have upon the "organization" and upon the administration of public affairs.

Sentiment that is represented to exist in the United States senate against anti-trust legislation at this session may not be so strong at the next session, but doubtless there will be sentiment of that kind to reckon with in both house and senate at all sessions. Consequently the proper thing to do is to press anti-trust legislation, regardless of opposition at the present session, and, if it fails, press it later. The president has the support of the people in his program to regulate combinations of capital, whether named trusts or something else. There is no disposition in regulating them to hurt legitimate enterprise, and legislation ought to be welcomed instead of opposed. Regulation will be for the good of legitimate business, whether the capital invested be large or small.

Apparently the chamber of commerce thinks the Wabash ordinance affords an opportunity for conciliation and conference if not of arbitration, as it adopted a motion to request the Pennsylvania, Wabash and Pittsburgh & Lake Erie authorities to confer with each other, and to have an investigation made by a neutral engineer who shall report direct to the chamber. At least the report of the expert should be valuable. No doubt the railroad authorities could agree if they wanted to, but recent events indicate a stronger desire to disagree. But as the people of Pittsburgh have a larger interest in this matter than any of the other parties, The Gazette respectfully submits its suggestion in another column, for a commission of experts to be named by councils. There is a way whereby the interests of the city and of the several railroads may all be served, and that is the solution to be sought. The chamber of commerce is very properly interested, and its co-operation to the desired end is likely to be valuable.

There is much unfavorable criticism of the county prisons of the state in the annual report of the state board of charities. It is all deserved. In most of the counties all classes of prisoners are thrown in together, where the most hardened criminals have a fine opportunity to teach the comparative innocents all they should not know. Many of them are unsanitary. Little attention is given the physical condition and none at all to possible moral influences. The result is they contribute to the increase of crime rather than to its restraint. Plots are hatched in jail corridors which are worked out when the cronies gain their freedom. They are clearing houses for criminal intelligence and breeding spots for moral pestilence. It is time public attention was called to their character and means taken for their reformation. But in this connection it is gratifying to recall the clean bill of health given the Allegheny county jail by Dr. Ellis Duncan, and to know that what he said is all true. The local county prison might be taken for a model by counties that desire bringing their jails and jail managements to conform with civilized usage.

The increase of immigration for the months of July, August and September, statistics for the period they cover being the latest available, together with the present character of immigration, suggest the need for the speedy passage of the immigration bill now before congress. In the four months mentioned the number of immigrants arriving at New York increased 43.3 per cent over the similar period of 1901, and, like the immigration of last year, newcomers from southern Europe, Russia and the Balkans are in a majority. Of those from south Italy 50 per cent are illiterate, and of the Russians and Roumanians (mostly Hebrews driven out by persecution) 45 per cent are illiterate, while of the many Syrians who are finding the way to our shores 66 per cent cannot read or write. There is evidence that this percentage of illiteracy is understated rather than overstated, as, where comparison is possible, it appears that many who declare before leaving their ports of embarkation that they cannot read or write declare on arrival that they can do so. It is hardly possible that the educative influences of an ocean voyage in the steerage are sufficiently developed to transform thousands from illiterate to literate. The need of the tests prescribed by the immigration bill are therefore apparent for its winnowing influence.

THE FRANCHISE SNARL.

The way in which franchise matters are being handled by councils is exposing those bodies to much disparaging criticism. The fact that the application of the Wabash road to enter the city altogether at its own expense, to furnish transportation facilities sorely needed by the business interests of the Pittsburgh district, was hung up for nearly two years was a grave scandal upon our municipal government that figured as an issue in the last municipal election. Since then councils have taken up the matter, but not until the Pennsylvania railroad was also an applicant for franchises. There is now a conflict of interests and a play of cross purposes, which inspire great doubt whether councils are acting fairly and impartially and whether their conclusions are actuated by the public welfare. The circumstantial statement recently issued by President Ramsey has made an impression upon public opinion adverse to councils, and gross accusations are current as to the motives influencing their conduct, both as regards what they do and what they do not do.

The attitude of public opinion is, we believe, unjust to councils. It is not sufficiently considered that councils from their very constitution are unfit to handle such a negotiation. No body of eighty-nine men, no matter how great their individual capacity or how high their individual character, are competent to conduct a business negotiation. Negotiation is an administrative function, and councils are a legislative body, competent to pass upon a negotiation as a whole, when all its details have been completed, but utterly incompetent themselves to manage those details satisfactorily. For this reason all business bodies, and all governmental bodies duly organized, commit such details to administrative authority. Thus it was that congress recently confided to the executive department the negotiation of isthmian canal franchises. Thus it is that in improved and efficient charters of municipal government such negotiations are made an administrative task. The city of Baltimore, whose success in such matters is attested by the fact that its revenues from licenses and franchises amounted to $828,855.37 in 1901, has a charter requirement that before any franchise is granted it shall be referred to a board composed of the heads of administration, whose duty it is "to fix the terms and conditions of said ordinance." Councils may approve or reject the bargain made, but it confines itself to the work of legislation, and the reports of the board put the facts of the case before the public, so that public opinion acts advisedly and with justice to councils.

At present the charter of Pittsburgh lacks this salutary provision, but councils may imitate the procedure on its own motion as congress has done. The pending franchises are a matter of vast importance to Pittsburgh, and the manner in which they are disposed of will affect the interests of the city for all time to come. We suggest that councils constitute the presidents of councils, the recorder, the controller and the city solicitor a commission to negotiate terms and conditions upon which all the franchises applied for shall be granted, with power to employ expert assistance and to embody their conclusions in ordinances, accompanied by a detailed report. By taking this course councils will effectually dispose of unjust criticism, and will completely vindicate their integrity and capability in serving the interests of the public.

GERMANY'S POLICY.

In order to understand the policy of Germany we must, so far as possible, put ourselves in her place and look at matters from her point of view. In 1900 carefully prepared official data submitted to the reichstag showed that five hundred million dollars of German capital had been invested in South America. Hundreds of industrial enterprises in South America have been financed in Germany, and resident German bankers and merchants carry on large transactions, not only in Venezuela but in other South American countries. There is no subject to which public opinion is keener in Germany than conditions in South America. Reports upon affairs in those countries appear daily in the German newspapers, and they form the leading topic of conversation in business circles. There are influential organizations engaged in promoting schemes of creating independent German colonies in South America. These schemes have been most successful in the more temperate climates of South America. There are distinctly German colonies in the three states of Rio Grande do Sul, Santa Catarina and Parana, in southern Brazil, and there are also large German settlements in southern Argentina and Uraguay, where also the climate assists the German agriculturalist and the trader. The North German Lloyd Company has bought immense agricultural territory in these regions and furthers German emigration to it. The German population there already amounts to about one-half million settled in compact communities in a region which has, all told, only a million and one-half of inhabitants. In view of the thrift of the Germans, their rapid natural increase and the rapidity with which additional settlers are being carried to that country, the prospect of a new Germany in South America is certainly not an idle dream.

Germany must necessarily be dependent upon exterior sources of supply for food for her people and raw material for her industries. If she can develop such sources of supply in German territory in the new world, it will be a distinct gain to the German empire. The growth of German colonies enjoying autonomy under the German flag is such a natural and proper ambition on the part of Germany that it affords a safe rule of interpretation with regard to her policy. It is true that at present the Monroe doctrine stands in the way, and heretofore the German authorities have given repeated assurances that they have no desire to infringe upon the Monroe doctrine. Without impugning the sincerity of these assurances, but simply looking at the facts of the situation, there can be no doubt whatever that the Monroe doctrine will last no longer than it can be upheld by force. At the breaking out of our war with Spain, Bismarck referred to the Monroe doctrine as "an insolent dogma which no single European power has ever sanctioned," and again as "a species of arrogance peculiarly American and inexcusable." This, no doubt, is the general German opinion. In fact, it may be said to be the general European opinion, leaving out England, which inspired the assertion of the Monroe doctrine and has a definite interest in sustaining it.

Applying these considerations to the Venezuelan situation, the aggressive policy which Germany is there displaying becomes perfectly intelligible. Doubtless in the present case Germany will respect her agreement not to make any permanent occupation of Venezuelan territory. Probably she does not want any. What she does want to do is to enhance German prestige and lower American prestige, and that she is doing most effectually. She is teaching every South American country to respect the German power and to go cautiously and respectfully in dealing with German interests.

AN ALL MEAT LINE.

Apparently the Chicago packing houses that control the meat industry of the country have torn a leaf from the experience of the Standard Oil and iron and steel combinations to guide them in their future course. It is reported from Chicago that the Armour, Swift and allied packing interests contemplate "the ultimate connection of Chicago, Sioux City, Omaha, St. Joseph and Kansas City by a double-track railway, with perhaps an extension into Texas and the cattle country of the southwest." Thereby they will be able to "ship stock in their own cars over their own rails to any of the cattle centers of the country." Big iron and steel companies before the organization of the United States Steel Corporation found it advisable to own their own railroad lines and lake vessels to bring them their raw material. Long before their entry into the field of transportation the Standard Oil Company had its pipe lines running from the petroleum fields to its refineries. In this its only considerable competitor has imitated it. The modern tendency is increasingly toward large enterprises, and the control by them of all processes of production from the raw material to the merchantable article. The big iron and steel concerns possess their own sources of supply of raw material, and those who would compete with them must be similarly well equipped with mines, transportation lines and diversified manufactories. It has long been the policy of the Standard Oil Company to control the sources of crude petroleum supply, and while its control is not absolute, its ownership has steadily grown until it overshadows all others. The meat packers have been spurred by similar trade necessities, and it is not improbable, as the Chicago dispatches say, that they are moving to clinch their control of the dressed meat business in the manner that is becoming familiar.

Evidently the senate must spill its tons of oratory on the statehood bill, though everybody in and out of the senate knows not a single vote will be changed by it. The oratorical feature is a part of the well-known hold-up game, which costs a deal of public money without adding much to the public information.

Judge Gray of the strike commission made no secret of his opinion of a man who will send his daughter of tender years to work all night in a factory, especially a man who is able to work and owns the house in which his family lives. Nothing could excuse that sort of child labor except abject poverty.

The nation will pause a moment to sincerely mourn the death of Julia Dent Grant, not alone because she was the wife of the great American soldier, but because she was endowed with womanly traits of a strong and useful character.

It required two spirited campaigns to convince Recorder Brown that being at the head of the city government and a city campaign committee were incompatible jobs. But it may be assumed he learned the lesson thoroughly.

A dispatch from Haiti says it is expected the numerous force under Gen. Nord will have a favorable effect upon the balloting. Yet the election may be under suspicion of having been affected by too much force.

That is an important case being tried against the railroads in the United States court to restrain them from lowering rates. It stands in close relation to the beef combine and much depends upon its final decision.

It will be well to await until the returns are all in before joining the shouters who say they have Mr. Quay licked on the statehood bill. Mr. Quay has a peculiar habit of not staying licked.

President Lambie's arraignment of common council for its action on the Wabash ordinance takes no account of the eighteen months hold-up of the original ordinance by select.

It takes a diplomatic father these days to furnish all the Santa Claus information needed and at the same time avoid conviction that he is the greatest liar on earth.

Two highway robberies in the Brady street section indicate negligence. The first should have warned the safety department to keep a special watch at that point.

Apostle Reed Smoot may or may not sit as a member of the senate, but he has already acquired more notoriety than a majority of old members of that body.

The average young American bachelor will struggle during the next few days with a mighty problem: What to buy "Her" for a Christmas present?

Mr. B. F. Jones and Mr. Andrew Carnegie exchange compliments and join ideas just as if they had not been almost life-long competitors.

It begins to look like simply a choice as to whether Venezuela will take her licking in the German or in the English language.

The crown prince of Siam fell in love with an American actress. It must be true, for the actress' press agent says so.

Things must be getting extremely dull in the sensational news line. Some one has started the Pat Crowe story again.

The fellow with the handy revolver who uses it promiscuously should be promptly and permanently suppressed.

Tom Johnson has been wise enough to lie still and let the embalming fluid take.

The Christmas tree is sprouting finely.

Justice for Venezuela.

From the Indianapolis News.

We do not think that President Castro should be too harshly judged. He and his people have a right, if they choose to exercise it, to oppose force to force. No doubt such a policy would be foolish, but let us not make the mistake of assuming that all the right is with the strong and all the wrong is with the weak; this would be as foolish as to make the contrary mistake.

Something Left Out.

From the Milwaukee Sentinel.

If some of the stories told before the anthracite strike commission by the miners are true, the Almighty must have forgotten something when He made out President Baer's divine commission.

NEW YORK BUNKOED BY COAL SHIPPERS

Train Loads of Anthracite Reach Jersey City and Then Vanish Into Thin Air.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Herald Building, Herald Square,
NEW YORK, Dec. 15.

Coal continued to be a vital topic in New York city. It strikes many persons as peculiar that anthracite is so scarce with the Pennsylvania mines in operation and the fact that the miners have been at work for weeks. But the situation of coal famine is with us, and many families are actually doing without coal altogether, depending for warmth and cooking on wood. The assertion is made now that people waste coal by throwing half-burned cinders into ash cans. An enterprising young man who spent the forenoon traveling up and down the East and West Sides, says he saw scores of ash cans half full of cinders that looked more like coal than ashes. Much of this waste is blamed on servants, but it is said that some of the extravagant persons are the mistresses, who will not take the trouble to separate coal from ashes, even with the ruling price of anthracite at $10, and very little to be obtained at any price. It puzzles the average citizen to know what becomes of the vast quantities of coal which are shipped New Yorkwards every day. The fuel gets to Jersey City or Hoboken and then seems to vanish in thin air. It certainly does not go up in smoke, for it is not burned there. The supposition is that it is shipped to the west. The Erie railroad is said to bring train after train full of coal from Pennsylvania, but very little of it is sold in New York, and none of it is left along the main line of the Erie. It seems to be sneaked over to the railroad terminus and thence, probably, is put aboard barges and sent silently off to the west or somewhere away from the metropolis. The bad weather New York has had for the last two or three weeks has set everyone on edge as to the fuel question. Prices are going up steadily, particularly for small quantities. If you buy coal by the bushel you may be certain that you will pay at the rate of $15 to $20 a ton for it. Whether there is any artificial influence at work to keep up prices is not known absolutely, but a great many disgruntled and teeth-chattering New Yorkers insist that there is.

Nordica Is Ill.

Mme. Nordica is said to be seriously ill. She is confined to her room in the Hotel Buckingham, and her physicians will not say when she will be able to appear on the stage. Her secretary is more hopeful, however. He believes she will be well enough to sing at the Metropolitan opera house whenever called upon by Maurice Grau, and that she will appear in "Tristan and Isolde" this week, as originally advertised. The prima donna was injured in a railroad wreck some months ago and has never entirely recovered.

Mail Service Restored.

The mail service which was demoralized by the bad weather is almost normal tonight. The Pittsburgh mails were only two hours behind the regular time, and it is hoped that by tomorrow they will come in on schedule time, that is, provided the snowstorm predicted does not tie everything up again. Mr. George L. Holliday, the Pittsburgh postmaster, who is pleasure bent in Manhattan, visited The Gazette's New York bureau this afternoon. He reports wild weather this side of the Alleghanies.

Shortage of Stret Cars.

The assertion of Alfred Skitt, vice president of the Manhattan elevated railway, that the company is running 60 more cars than ever before in the history of the road is a comfortable assurance. Anyone can see for himself that there are many new cars in use, because they are so much brighter in appearance than the old ones. But the puzzle to the average passenger is what the deuce becomes of all these 60 cars when he wants to find foothold in the morning and evening rush hours. There is the same old desperate crowding, with everyone of the 60 cars jammed to the gates and beyond. If one wants to cultivate his patience by testing it, he should come to New York at holiday time and try riding on the "L" between 5 and 8, either in the morning or evening.

Dr. Lorenz Wins Popularity.

Dr. Lorenz, the Austrian surgeon who treats dislocation of the hip with his strong hands, did his first work at the Hospital for Ruptured and Crippled children this afternoon. There were some 300 doctors watching him and they were deeply interested in the demonstration. The most popular man in New York is an uncertain quantity, because there are so many different ways in which a man may be popular. But it is not too much to say that among a very large proportion of the population of the tenement district Dr. Lorenz is regarded as only a little lower than the angels.

Good Ground for Libel Suit.

After many elaborate attempts to prove that the boy Westphal was a degenerate, was abnormal, had criminal ears and the like, he was today discharged from custody, no evidence having been adduced to connect him with the death of the man Leyh, who is supposed to have been poisoned. Unless the boy should be rearrested and found guilty of the murder, he should have a fairly good case of libel against the persons that have been telling everyone that he is a degenerate and a bad one on general principles. To the casual observer Westphal looks like a very ordinary boy, neither better nor worse than any lad you may see in the streets of Pittsburgh today.

Kocian Coming to Pittsburgh.

"Bagby's Musical Mornings" are popular entertainments this winter. They are given at the Waldorf-Astoria on Mondays and next Monday Kocian, the violin virtuoso, will be the star performer. Kocian will begin his tour next month, and it is understood that Pittsburgh soon will have an opportunity of hearing him.

An Unfortunate Burglar.

From the way the trial of Tobin is reported it looks as if that wretched man would be much better out of the world than in it for more than one reason. That he brutally murdered Capt. Craft in a Tenderloin dive is not denied. But today a police captain testified that when Tobin followed his chosen calling, that of burglar, he was a failure in that gentle occupation. He was caught in every burglary he undertook. Now, what should be done with such a man. Surely the electric chair is the only safe place for him.

Florence Burns on the Stage.

Florence Burns, who was suspected of being concerned in the homicide of Walter Brooks in a hotel some months ago, but was discharged from custody when a coroner's jury failed to find any evidence against her, made her first appearance on a vaudeville stage in Brooklyn this afternoon and broke down. Stage fright seems to have been the trouble. Another reason that she did not make a hit was that she could not sing and dance as well as the ordinary trained vaudeville actress and the management rung down the curtain on her.

Coal Scarcity Doesn't Worry Skaters.

Skating is the sport now. For the first time in its history Central park offers skating to the public on its big lake nearly two weeks before Christmas. As a rule it is long after January 1 that the ice is declared to be 4½ inches in thickness, and thus officially stout enough to sustain the crowds of skaters. This year it is thick enough to stand almost anything in the middle of December. The conditions are beautiful for skating tonight. Not only is the ice clear and smooth, but there is a full moon that lights up the scene and makes the electric lights almost superfluous. Central park in Manhattan and Prospect park in Brooklyn, to say nothing of Van Cortlandt park, up in the Bronx, are gay with the ring of skates and the merry laughter of the boys and girls on them and no one there cares a continental whether there is any coal in the market or not.

Something New to Be Seen.

There was a very large crowd tonight at the "Novelty Exhibition and Christmas Fair" at Madison Square garden. The title of the entertainment is rather against it, but those who visited the garden tonight found a very interesting and instructive exhibition and the probabilities are that the attendance will increase from day to day when it is understood there is something actually new on view.

Latest in Weberfieldiana.

Weber & Fields announce a new burlesque for Thursday night. It is a travesty of "The Stubbornness of Geraldine," in which Mary Mannering, at the Garrick, is pleasing a succession of large audiences. The burlesque will bear the rather unpleasant title of "The Stickiness of Galatine." It might have been possible for some less disagreeable suggestion to be chosen. Still, when the management of a playhouse professedly conducted for the delectation of refined people puts on a play with the putrid title of "Tommy Rot" one can hardly blame the rough and ready Weber & Fields for going in for stickiness.

Partridge's Garrison Finish.

Commissioner Partridge is making active use of his last few weeks at the head of police department. He is retiring old policemen as fast as he can get them in line to walk the plank. The offense of the men that he is driving out is that they are more than 60 years of age, and, therefore, in the way of younger men. Today he ordered nine men, including Inspector Walter L. Thompson, to appear before the board of surgeons next Monday for examination as to their physical condition. All the eight, besides Thompson, of whom four are captains and four sergeants, are indignant that their physical ability should be questioned. As for the truculent Thompson, he is simply wild with rage. As a matter of fact, there are some old captains and sergeants who might as well retire, especially as they will all be entitled to good pensions. The force is to be reformed there must be a general turning out of deadwood—of men who have been in the police department so long that they think they own it.

GEORGE C. JENKS.

Pittsburghers in New York.

The following Pittsburghers are registered at the New York hotels today:

WALDORF-ASTORIA.
W. H. Schoen. W. H. Latshaw.
G. McCargo. S. G. Cooper.
F. B. Hussey. Miss M. Chambers.
R. Miller. Miss E. Chambers.
P. P. Smith.

IMPERIAL.
A. E. Arthur. J. W. Cooke.
P. J. Campbell. E. L. McGary.
A. N. Spencer.

GRAND.
A. F. Krause. Mrs. A. F. Krause.

HOLLAND.
George P. Murray. Seymour S. Preston.
Mrs. George P. Murray. Mrs. W. L. Coyle.
G. R. Nulty. Miss A. D. Kearns.

EARLINGTON.
Miss May Dilworth.

VICTORIA.
S. N. Williams. J. G. Beane.
Mrs. S. N. Williams.

ALBEMARLE.
The Misses Brown.

FIFTH AVENUE.
James R. Mellon. Miss Bollman.
Mrs. James R. Mellon. J. E. Allison.
C. M. Bollman. Mrs. J. E. Allison.

MANHATTAN.
A. K. Oliver. J. C. Dilworth.

HERALD SQUARE.
W. B. Griffin.

BROADWAY CENTRAL.
G. Best. C. K. Smith.

ST. DENIS.
J. W. Philip. Mrs. L. Nolbridge.

ALBERT.
E. A. Lyon. Mrs. E. A. Lyon.

NAVARRE.
R. O'Mara.

ASTOR.
J. H. Armison. J. T. Hough.

QUAY AND PRITCHARD.

Both Think Representation of Southern States in National Convention Should Be Reduced.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—At the White House today Senator Pritchard of North Carolina declared himself in favor of the reduction of the representation of the south in Republican national conventions. To Senator Quay of Pennsylvania and a group of newspaper men Senator Pritchard said that he would support any properly directed effort made to reduce the representation of the southern states in national conventions.

"I believe," said he, "that is the only fair method and I am in favor of it. The representation of all states in Republican national conventions should be in accordance with the number of Republican votes cast in the several states."

Senator Quay expressed his gratification that Senator Pritchard had taken that stand, and remarked sententiously, "I am with you."

Senator Pritchard explained that he did not favor cutting down the representation of the southern states in congress, as he did not think that could be done constitutionally.

INDIANS ON WARPATH

Dawson Is Excited Over Reputed Killing of Storekeeper and Wounding of Another Man.

SEATTLE, WASH., Dec. 15.—A special from Dawson says: Much excitement and apprehension prevail at White Horse and various points along the line of the new government trail over the report that a band of Hiusko Indians has taken the warpath in the region between the Little Salmon and Petty rivers.

A store is reported to have been looted and burned, the storekeeper killed and another man fatally injured.

Maj. Cuthbert says if confirmation of the news of the outbreak is received he will leave here for Selkirk immediately with 50 men.

A motive for the outbreak is furnished by the hanging of three Indians at Dawson barracks in 1899 for the murder of a prospector.

DOROTHY BRINGS $106.

Doll Named by Mrs. Roosevelt Proves Money-Maker at Masonic Fair.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The doll Miss Dorothy Rochester, which was named by President Roosevelt's wife, proved a moneymaker at the Masonic fair, just concluded here. The sum of $106 was realized on it, all being paid in 10-cent pieces, that being the amount asked for every guess. The person guessing the name given it by Mrs. Roosevelt won the doll.

When the fair commenced the scheme for disposing of the doll was suggested and Mrs. Roosevelt was written to. She sent the name selected in a sealed envelope, which was not opened until the conclusion of the fair Saturday night, when it was found that "Dorothy" was the name chosen.

Mitchell Gets Warm Reception.

SPRING VALLEY, ILL., Dec. 15.—John Mitchell received warm welcome upon his return to his old home today. Spring Valley, in anticipation of his coming, put on its holiday attire, and all classes of its citizens turned out to greet him. The day was observed as a general holiday, and business was suspended in his honor. From nearby towns delegations began arriving at an early hour and joined in the demonstration.

PERSONALS

Dr. J. O. F. Hill of Brooklyn passed through Pittsburgh last night. He was accompanied by Joseph Balmer and family of Atlantic City, who were going to New Orleans to attend the Mardi Gras. "The supply of anthracite coal coming into New York is limited, and the poor for the past week have been suffering greatly for want of fuel. In the tenement district anthracite coal is being sold by the pound and little can be had at any price. Nearly all of the manufacturing establishments are still burning soft coal, and clouds of smoke hang over the city. I was told just before leaving home by Alderman Fred Lundy that the tunnel bill would go through without further opposition from the board of aldermen. It is devoutly wished by the people of Greater New York that the matter be settled, so that work can begin on the tunnel at once. We have had the largest Christmas trade in the history of Brooklyn, and I hardly think that a child in the City of Churches will awaken on Christmas morning and find its stocking empty."

E. C. Sherburne of Boston, president of the American Plate Glass association, is at the Hotel Henry. "I have just dropped into Pittsburgh," he remarked, "to attend the quarterly meeting of our association. Nothing of importance is expected to develop, and only routine business will be transacted."

"I am going home to spend my Christmas vacation," said L. G. Cozad, a cloak salesman, at Union station. "I have been on the road since September 1, and have unloaded nearly all my winter stock. I have done a large business in Pittsburgh since the winter weather set in."

Neighbors Visiting Pittsburgh.

Among those at the leading hotels last night were the following persons from nearby towns:

Duquesne—W. F. Ullem, Waynesburg; H. L. M. Dotey, Steubenville; R. B. Alford, Blairsville; J. T. Glenn, New Castle; C. D. Potter, Washington Court House.

Henry—S. A. Fisher, Ridgway; C. C. Crawford, Emlenton; W. J. Harvey, Derry; J. W. Cabot, Johnstown; J. C. Trees, New Martinsville; T. L. Riddle, Marietta, O.; J. C. Roans, E. W. Boyd, Weston; T. Randolph, Waynesburg; M. Rosenberg, Uniontown; E. L. Adams, Jr., Connellsville.

Newell's—E. Anderson, Kain; John G. Whitmore, Ridgway; H. P. Berryhill, G. W. Barricklow, Connellsville; T. Colwell, P. G. Power, Uniontown; M. S. Fisher, Marietta, O.; C. Moore, Sistersville; H. Mays, Scio.

Griswold—M. Aldridge, George Mallins, Bridgeport, W. Va.; H. B. McKean, Uniontown; George McNally, Cole Center.

Monongahela—J. W. Walker, S. G. Walker, Washington.

Lincoln—W. S. Blaisdell, Punxsutawney; C. H. Taylor, Akron; A. N. Perkins, Sharon; H. M. Wilson, Franklin.

Victoria—N. H. Bagley, Crestline; J. W. Fisher, Wheeling; E. Jackson, Butler.

Anderson—W. F. Wilson, Franklin; S. A. Trimble, Clarksburg; W. P. Hue, East Liverpool.

Seventh Avenue—J. E. Johnson, Ligonier; W. J. Carmichael, Wellsburg; E. H. Peckett, H. A. Straus, Wheeling; T. Ross, John Ross, Waynesburg.

THE DEATH ROLL.

Dr. William W. Miller.

Dr. William W. Miller died last night at 9 o'clock at his home, No. 215 North Highland avenue, East End, of typhoid fever, after an illness of three weeks. Dr. Miller had been practicing medicine in the East End since last April, when he came to Pittsburgh to live. He was a son of Andrew Miller and was born in Washington county, 36 years ago. Dr. Miller was a graduate of Washington and Jefferson college and of the West Penn Medical school of the Western University of Pennsylvania. Previous to coming to Pittsburgh Dr. Miller had taken a post-graduate course at the New York Medical college. He is survived by his wife, one daughter, his mother, five brothers and one sister. He was a member of the Sixth United Presbyterian church, in North Highland avenue. Funeral services will be held at his late home tomorrow and interment will be in Homewood cemetery.

Sister Mary Fulgentia.

Sister Mary Fulgentia died yesterday at St. Teresa's academy, 1108 Washington street, Kansas City, Mo. Sister Fulgentia was 75 years old and for years had followed her calling. She was born in Pittsburgh, and with Sister Mary Kubler she went to St. Teresa's academy about five years ago. The funeral will be today from the academy. Solemn high mass will be celebrated by the Rev. Father Clinton. Burial will be in Mount St. Mary's cemetery.

Benjamin F. Dennison.

Benjamin F. Dennison, treasurer of the American Baptist Publication society, died at his residence in Philadelphia yesterday, aged 67. Since early manhood he had been associated with religious and temperance movements. He was at one time grand worthy patriarch of America and past grand worthy patriarch of the United States of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance.

William Hann.

William Hann, 62 years old, for many years a well known undertaker of South Sixteenth street, died at noon yesterday at the home of his son-in-law, Policeman George Shafer, No. 1305 Bingham street, South Side. He is survived by one son, John S. Hann of Cleveland, and one daughter, Mrs. Shafer.

Obituary Notes.

Gabriel Harrison, a dramatist, theatrical manager and artist, died in Brooklyn, N. Y., yesterday. He was 84 years old.

Mrs. Isabella Bell, 68 years old, widow of Robert Bell, is dead at her home in Carnegie. Four sons and one daughter survive.

Mrs. Mary Laughlin Grove, 39 years old, wife of Edwin S. Grose, is dead at her home, No. 63 Dithridge street. She was a member of St. Agnes' Roman Catholic church.

Mrs. Job McCreight died at her home at Indiana, Pa., yesterday, of cancer. Her husband and three daughters, Martha of Pittsburgh, Mary and Mabel at home, survive.

Mrs. Johanna Jahn, 75 years old, widow of Robert Jahn, is dead at her home, No. 2118 Ann street. She had been a resident of Pittsburgh for over 50 years. Five children survive.

Alexander Swankie, 25 years old, a pattern maker at the Westinghouse Company's plant, is dead at the family home, No. 631 Corey avenue, Braddock. His wife and one child survive.

Mrs. Margaret Stephens died at Washington, Pa., yesterday, aged 60. She was an old resident and wife of Christopher Stephens, a prominent business man. She is survived by her husband and one son, Jesse, and a daughter, Margaret, all of Washington.

Mrs. Kate Smit, 48 years old, widow of M. J. Smit, for many years a well-known jeweler in Fifth avenue, died early this morning at her home, No. 134 Graham street. She was a sister of R. A. Arons and Mrs. Emanuel DeRoy, also the mother of Mrs. Isaac Harris and Louis Smit, the well-known Fifth avenue jeweler.

Col. John W. Ela, delegate to the recent national civil service reform convention and president of the Civil Service Reform league of Chicago, died in a hospital at Philadelphia yesterday. After making an address at the banquet of the National Civil Service league last Friday night, Mr. Ela returned to his hotel, where he was stricken with paralysis.

Mrs. Nancy Workman Luther died at Washington, Pa., Sunday night of tuberculosis, aged 73. She was a daughter of the late John Sample, a pioneer settler. In 1868 she married Martin Luther, a manufacturer, who recently retired at an advanced age. To this union were born three children, George of Moundsville, W. Va.; John of Washington, and Henry of Verona, this county. She is also survived by one brother, David Sample of Washington, and a sister, Mrs. Elizabeth McGill of Freeport.

Pittsburgh's Water Problem.

From the Philadelphia Press.

There is such a difference of opinion in Pittsburgh as to whether the city ought to have sand filtration or a mechanical system of purifying the water that it is proposed to submit it to a vote of the people. The result can be foreseen. The people who have no technical knowledge on such questions, would be pretty certain to vote for the mechanical system because it is cheaper, without consideration which is the better method.

STORIES HEARD ABOUT CAPITOL

Some Good Things Heard and Seen Where Statesmen Congregate.

All of the following quips are retold from the Washington Post:

Mr. Cannon was hurrying through the long corridor just between the chamber of the house of representatives and the lobby where members lounge and chat.

He had recently had his iron-gray whiskers trimmed more neatly than heretofore. It is the only badge of newly acquired honor that he wears. There was a group of congressmen and newspaper men at one end of the corridor, who detected "Uncle Joe" casting furtive glances at the walls where hung portraits of former speakers of the house. "Ah, ha!" called out a scribe, "you're looking up there wondering how you'll look when your picture takes its place among the others." Mr. Cannon actually blushed. "Well, boys," he said, as he familiarly greeted every one in the party, "you know it was Mr. Dingley who said that he took a certain pride in his personal appearance," and if the governor, who was never accused of being handsome, could do so, why not I?" and "Uncle Joe" has never taken a beauty prize.

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As the hour of noon approached Mr. Hoar placed his hand in one pocket and drew forth some coins that attracted attention. He displayed them to Mr. Allison, who was interested, and then to Mr. Berry and other senators when the chaplain's prayer interfered with further inspection. The coins that caused a fascination for so many senators were three bright new pennies. The wonder was that they had kept company—as beautiful a money product as the government mints can make from coppers.

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A lawyer constituent for one of the Minnesota delegation had for his client a pensioner who was expecting a large sum of money in back pay. The client died and the lawyer expended money for a very elaborate funeral, costing about $1,400. With customary Yankee ingenuity the lawyer presented to the interior department a claim for $2,500 as a lien on the back pay. There was a delay in the payment, and one of the Minnesota members was asked by his lawyer constituent to inquire about the prospects. He has informed his constituent that there was only $10 due his dead client.

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Senator Bacon is very deeply interested in the amendment proposed by him to the statehood bill, giving the name "Jefferson" to the state which may be organized out of Oklahoma and Indian territories.

"It seems to me," said he yesterday, "that the propriety of giving the name of Jefferson to a state carved out of territory acquired in the Louisiana purchase would be manifest to every one, whether in or out of congress. The proposition has no political significance. Jefferson was not only the author of the Declaration of Independence, but through him we acquired the vast territory known as the Louisiana purchase.

"Mr. Hoar once eloquently said in the senate that Thomas Jefferson would go into history carrying in one hand the Declaration of Independence and in the other the title to the Louisiana territory.

"The acquisition of that great domain is one of the peaceful achievements which more than any other, if not more than all others, has contributed to the aggrandizement of the American nation. The area now composing the Oklahoma and Indian territories is the last of that immense expanse which has not already been organized into states and admitted to the union. This is the last opportunity which can ever be presented to give the name of Jefferson to a state created out of this territory.

"It is a matter of the highest historic justice that a part of the Louisiana purchase be organized as a state and admitted into the union with the name of Jefferson.

"Next year is the centennial of this great and far-reaching event. We are about to signalize it by the greatest industrial exhibition at St. Louis

CITIZENS NAME CONFEREES TO SELECT FUSION NOMINEE; DEMOCRATS TO DO LIKEWISE

Citizens City Committee Names Six Men to Confer With Democrats.

WILL PICK A RECORDER

Name of the Candidate Will Probably Be Made Known Monday Night—New Rules Are to Be Adopted.

The Citizens city committee has appointed conferees to meet with the Democrats and decide upon a candidate for recorder. Chairman T. S. Bigelow said that he thought that at the meeting of the committee Monday night something definite about the fusion candidate for recorder could be announced.

It is the desire of the Citizens to nominate a recorder before Christmas. They have every reason for believing that the Democratic city committee at its meeting tomorrow night will agree to appoint a committee on fusion. If this is done, it will take the conferees but a short time to agree upon a candidate. He will be a Republican.

Soon after the committee met last night Fred Fichtel of the Thirty-eighth ward offered a resolution calling for a committee of five, of which Chairman Bigelow is to be a member ex-officio. The duty of this body is to confer with the Democrats and agree upon a fusion candidate for recorder. The resolution was adopted without debate and after the meeting Chairman Bigelow named these conferees: Fred Fichtel, Thirty-eighth ward; W. S. Hays, Sixth ward; C. S. Crawford, Twentieth ward; Charles Stix, First ward; John A. Blair, Twenty-first ward, and Thomas S. Bigelow, Nineteenth ward. The committee will await the action of the Democratic city committee.

The committee on contests reported that it had decided in favor of seating Peter Soffel, Sr., of the Thirty-second ward. Mr. Soffel was seated. Albert York Smith had contested his right to the seat.

Dr. Cadwallader Evans offered a set of rules for the government of the party in the city. In many ways they are similar to those used by the old organization. It has been the aim of Dr. Evans to so draft the rules that stuffing of candidates will be impossible. The whole idea has been to put the power in the hands of the voters and open the door to every man who has an ambition to aspire to office.

The rules provided for the holding of primaries. A number of the members thought it would be better not to hold primaries this year. They explained that the machine would try to control the primaries, and it would be best not to put the rule into effect until next year. There was also discussion about a general rule providing for fusion. During the talk on this subject Mr. Haines of the Twenty-third ward said that an attempt had been made out there to indorse B. McKenna, with the understanding that he would be supported by the machine. The Citizens in the ward have indorsed Maj. A. M. Brown.

The rules were referred back to the committee. A meeting will be held Thursday and a number of changes will be made. It is the intention to have the report ready for adoption or rejection at the meeting Monday night.

Democratic Ward Chairmen Unanimously Declare for Fusion on Recorder.

MEETING IS HARMONIOUS

Alderman John A. Martin Called the Meeting, But W. J. Brennen Secured Control and Passed Resolutions.

The Democratic ward chairmen are on record for fusion. They last night forecasted what their city committee would do at its meeting tomorrow evening. Nearly all the wards were represented, and the meeting unanimously agreed that the Democrats should join with the Citizens in the election of a recorder.

Alderman John A. Martin conceived the idea of bringing the ward chairmen together. He said that the purpose was to "consider the rights, duties and desires of the Democrats in the coming city election. A few of the ward chairmen declined to respond to the call of Martin, but the majority of them decided to attend the meeting. Many of them did not know just what was to be done, so they went to find out.

Martin called the chairmen into the back room at headquarters. In a few minutes W. J. Brennen and Commissioner James A. Clark entered the room. As they did so Martin was telling his auditors that a chairman should be elected, Martin was named and so was Brennen. The latter won by a vote of about 3 to 1. Alderman Charles Anderson was elected secretary.

Brennen said that he did not understand why the meeting had been called, and was there to find out. He made a speech in favor of fusion with the Citizens. At the close of his remarks R. B. Todd presented this resolution, that Mr. Brennen had doubtless prepared:

Resolved, That while the members of this meeting disclaim any official power or authority to act for the Democratic party of Pittsburgh, whose duty it is to consider political principles and policies, that the Democratic party of the city of Pittsburgh continue its policy of uniting with the Citizens party in an effort to secure the public welfare by the election of citizens of well known integrity, fidelity and loyalty to the public and approve the policy which has won for the Democratic party and Citizens party two victories over the corrupt machine, which has dominated the policies and offices of Pittsburgh in the past.

Martin produced another typewritten resolution, which he offered as an amendment. Chairman Brennen said that it did not conflict and ruled it in order. It follows:

Resolved, That in view of the fact that our party has always stood for reform in public office and does still stand, therefore, and in view of the pressing need for a complete change in our city government, we favor a harmonious and agreeable fusion with the Citizens party in the coming municipal election for recorder and ward officers.

Resolved, That we believe that the fusion candidate for city recorder should be a man of high character, sturdy honesty, broad, liberal political views, and strong identification with the reform movement in the city, who will be a continuing guarantee that our municipal government shall be run for the benefit of the whole people and not for personal gain or party advantage.

The amendment was accepted, and it and the original were unanimously adopted. Chairman Brennen then adjourned the meeting to reassemble at his call, and the Martin men went into conference to figure out what had happened.

CALLS ARE ACCEPTED.

Two Ministers Received Into the Pittsburgh Presbytery That They May Fill Engagements.

The Rev. Jesse C. Bruce of Allegheny will be installed pastor of the Crafton Presbyterian church next Tuesday. He was received into the Pittsburgh presbytery yesterday. The same action was taken on the Rev. C. B. McCombs of Ohio, who has accepted a call to the Valley church. A committee will be appointed to organize a church at Clairton, the building to be erected by the board of presbyterial missions. The next meeting of the presbytery will be held in the chapel of the First church, Wood street, the first Tuesday in February.

At the meeting of the Presbyterian ministers, the Rev. James H. Snowden read a paper on "Robert Browning."

The Rev. J. F. Steffy, pastor of the Washington Avenue Methodist Episcopal church, read a paper before the ministers of his denomination on "Hymnology of the Church." He roundly denounced the use of the majority of trashy song books, which he claimed are being sold in the churches and Sunday schools.

The United Presbyterian ministers heard a paper on "Work Among the Foreigners in Pittsburgh," by the Rev. J. S. Hill.

"Christ in the Old Testament," was the subject of a paper read by the Rev. U. A. Haukey before the Lutheran Ministerial association of Pittsburgh and Allegheny.

The Baptists heard a paper on "Evolution and Sin," by the Rev. W. W. Barker, assistant pastor of the Sandusky Street church.

Henry C. Frick has offered the use of the old Third Presbyterian church, in Sixth avenue, to the congregation of the First Presbyterian church, while the latter's new church is being built. One of the trustees of the First church said yesterday that the old Sixth avenue building will hardly be suitable, as it has been almost entirely dismantled.

The Rev. A. T. Campbell of the Rowan avenue church read a paper on "The Preaching for the Times," at the Christian church ministers' meeting.

Comptroller Divides Bank Assets.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The comptroller of the currency has declared dividends in favor of the creditors of insolvent national banks as follows: Seven per cent, Pynchon National bank of Springfield, Mass.; 4 per cent, First National bank of Newport, Ky.; 6 9-10 per cent, German National bank of Louisville, Ky.

Lively Contest Over Firemen.

Wilkinsburg council elected the members of the new paid fire department last night, but it required more than 50 ballots to do it. George Cromlish was elected chief, W. Hayes Porter, lieutenant, and the following firemen: S. C. Ranson, C. F. Gault, S. M. Palmer, John H. Rhodes, Lee N. Bishop, H. H. Irwin, W. J. Porter and Frank E. Frye. After seven firemen had been elected it required 52 ballots to select the eighth member.

LEAKS WILL FILL A 24-INCH PIPE

Test Indicates That 2,592,000 Gallons Escape Daily from Reservoir.

DIRECTOR SEEKS DELAY

Postpones Inspection of Basin Until After Controller Larkin's Hearing — Councilmen Want Reservoir Emptied.

The leakage of the new Highland reservoir is estimated to be at least 2,592,000 gallons daily. This estimate is based upon an experiment that has been made with the largest stream that flows from the reservoir, on the northwest side of the basin embankment. At this point a leak flows through a four-inch pipe.

A barrel of the capacity of 55 gallons was filled by this stream in just 11 seconds. This is at the rate of 5 gallons a second, or 300 gallons a minute. It amounts to 18,000 gallons an hour, or 423,000 gallons every 24 hours. It is estimated that all the leaks combined would make a stream 24 inches in diameter. Figuring upon this basis the total leakage would amount daily to 2,592,000 gallons. Some persons who have worked on the problem think this estimate is too low. Charles A. Finley, the engineer who was removed by Director McCandless, estimates the leakage at 3,500,000 gallons daily.

Councils May Take Action.

If Director McCandless does not drain the new Highland reservoir in order to permit an inspection to be made, a resolution will be adopted by common council next week instructing him to do so. It is claimed that if the reservoir is emptied, the large streams now flowing from the outside embankment will stop running, thus proving beyond all doubt that they issue from cracks in the reservoir.

In his letter to Presidents Lambie and Crawford on Friday, Director McCandless stated that the water would be allowed to stand in the reservoir for four days and would then be turned into the service pipes. This announcement was made prior to the county court granting Controller Larkin a hearing in the reservoir case and fixing tomorrow as the time for the hearing.

Yesterday Director McCandless stated that the water would not be turned out of the basin until Thursday, the day after the hearing before the court.

McCandless Temporizes.

Controller Larkin and his supporters believe that Director McCandless does not want the reservoir drained until the court disposes of the mandamus case, for fear of the disclosures that would result from an inspection.

Councilman W. H. Stevenson and others who are taking the most active interest in the reservoir matter, have been trying for three weeks to get some definite information from Director McCandless regarding the number of gallons that are pumped daily into the reservoir. This information is desired to make an estimate of the amount of water leaking out.

The director gave first the daily stages, the measurements of which are not accepted by councils as being exactly correct. The director, however, neglected to give the amount of water pumped daily into the basin and gave no explanation for not furnishing this information. The request was repeated, but the director replied that he had not taken these measurements.

Will Order Basin Drained.

The councilmen have given up all efforts in this direction as a waste of time and energy, and have decided to rest the case on the simple test of emptying the reservoir completely and finding whether the streams on the outside stop or not. The director claims that they come from springs. If this is true, the draining of the reservoir would not stop them.

Controller Larkin figures that the total leakage, if it could be combined, would make a stream as large as a good-sized barrel, or as large as the diameter of a 24-inch sewer. A representative of the controller made an inspection of the leaks yesterday and reported that they were much larger and more numerous than the controller imagined.

The report brought to the controller was that there are twelve streams flowing from the reservoir. Two were located in the gully, a picture of which was published in The Gazette about two weeks ago, two others on either side of the gully, six on the south side, within a short distance of each other and flowing into Fix's run, and two others at the big 24-inch sewer that empties into the run near Negley avenue.

Sewer Has Been Tapped.

French drains have been laid down the hill from the reservoir embankment toward the sewer, but the spot where these drains empty into Fix's run have been carefully concealed. It is believed that an investigation will show that the sewer has been tapped, as a very lively stream, clear as crystal, is coming out of the sewer. On the side toward the zoo, the controller's representative found a spot where an attempt had been made to carry off the water through a 2-inch pipe, but this pipe was not large enough for the stream, which issued on all sides of the pipe.

Director McCandless has employed three engineers to inspect the reservoir and locate the crevices through which the water is flowing. The engineers he has retained are Thomas P. Roberts of the United States engineer's office, Samuel E. Dieschert and Jacob Schneeller. These engineers say they have been employed to make their report to Director McCandless and refuse to make any statements concerning the leaks.

The difficulty to obtain correct measurements of the stage of water in the reservoir is increased by the fact that the basin is connected with the water main that leads to the old reservoir, and that it can be supplied from the latter whenever necessary.

As a matter of formality, five writs for alternative mandamus were filed in common pleas court No. 2 yesterday against controller John B. Larkin in lieu of the peremptory writs quashed by the court.

SCHWAB'S CHRISTMAS GIFT TOTALS $4,000

Braddock and Homestead Poor Will Share in Its Benefits.

At a meeting of the ministers and representative citizens of Braddock, held in the council chamber last night, a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Schwab announcing their intention of presenting $2,000 to the borough for Christmas gifts was read, and informally announced the steel king's intention.

Prof. George Lamb presided and the following were appointed a committee on distribution: Burgess John Brannan, Thomas Addenbrook, H. G. Wagner, the Rev. O. H. Philips and the Rev. E. M. Bowman. Half of the amount given will be expended in toys for children, the balance will go to the old people in the form of food, clothing and money.

Another meeting of the committee will be held in the council chamber on Friday night and plans for purchasing the presents will be discussed. The distribution will begin next week.

Mr. Schwab has offered a similar amount to Homestead, and a meeting of the citizens will be held in the residence of A. B. Pinckney tonight.

Desperate Lands in Jail.

J. C. Clifford, colored, who it is alleged was recently released from the Western penitentiary, was yesterday lodged in jail by Justice J. M. Schoaf of West Elizabeth, on a charge of larceny. During the past five weeks Jefferson township has been the scene of numerous robberies. Over 1,000 chickens have been stolen and household furniture of all kinds taken. Friday a search warrant revealed many of the stolen articles stored in the house of Clifford and he was later arrested. Saturday night he secured a hatchet which had been left near his cell door and chopped his way out. He was recaptured and yesterday brought to jail.

The Edgeworth Whist Club.

Mrs. John E. Porter will entertain the Edgeworth Whist club at her home in Beaver street, Sewickley, this afternoon.

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DEATHS.

BARR—On Monday, December 15, 1902, at 8:15 p. m., at the residence of her son-in-law, S. D. Sleath, 201 Wylie avenue, Allegheny, MARY DYER BARR, relict of James B. Barr.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

BELL—On Sunday, December 14, 1902, at 1:10 a. m., ISABELLA, relict of Robert Bell, in her 68th year.

Funeral services will be held at her late residence, corner Arch and Bell avenues, Carnegie, Pa., on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

BITTNER—On Sunday, December 14, 1902, at 3:20 a. m., JOHN BITTNER, in his 57th year.

Funeral services at the residence of his br.-in-law, Alexander D. Scott, No. 220 Shady avenue, Allegheny, this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

CUBBAGE—On Saturday, December 13, 1902, at 12:45 a. m., at her residence, No. 410 Taylor avenue, Allegheny, MARTHA C. CUBBAGE, in her 60th year.

Funeral services at her late residence, on Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Interment private Tuesday morning.

DEELY—On Saturday, December 13, 1902, at 2 a. m., ANNIE O'DONNELL, wife of Daniel G. Deely and daughter of Mary and Mrs. Edward O'Donnell of Hazelwood.

Funeral from the family residence, No. 2830 Bedford avenue, on Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock. Services at St. Richard's church at 9:30. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

HATFIELD—On Sabbath, December 14, 1902, at his residence, Wellsburg, W. Va., the REV. T. C. HATFIELD.

KING—On Sunday, December 14, 1902, at 9:30 a. m., at Saxonburg, Pa., MRS. ANNA, wife of T. K. King.

LUTHER—On Sunday, December 14, 1902, at 7:30 a. m., at her home, No. 229 North Main street, Washington, Pa., MRS. NANCY W., wife of Martin Luther, aged 73 years.

Funeral this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment in Washington cemetery.

MARTIN—Suddenly, on Monday, December 15, 1902, JOHN MARTIN.

Notice of funeral from his late residence, No. 730 Sunmerica street, published later.

[Cincinnati and Galion (O.) papers please copy.]

MILLER—On Monday evening, December 15, 1902, at 9 o'clock, DR. WILLIAM W. MILLER, aged 86 years.

Funeral services at his late residence, 214 North Highland avenue, East End, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment private.

PIERCE—On Monday, December 15, 1902, at 4:15 p. m., HENRY M. PIERCE, aged 43 years.

Funeral from his late residence, 260 Park avenue, East End. Time will be given later.

[Indiana (Pa.) papers please copy.]

RUSSELL—Suddenly, on Monday evening, December 15, 1902, at 10 o'clock, at his residence, 226 Bertha street, Mt. Washington, WILLIAM O. RUSSELL, aged 55 years.

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[Tiffin (O.) and Bedford (Mass.) papers please copy.]

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The executive committee of the board of fire underwriters of Allegheny county feels compelled to call the attention of the public to the dangers to life and property from Christmas displays, decorations, signs, etc., in churches, public buildings, mercantile establishments, and especially department stores. The use of Christmas greens and other inflammable materials, especially in connection with electric and other lighting systems, is decidedly an increase of hazard, it being impossible to make displays of that nature perfectly safe. The making of such displays would, therefore, under a strict interpretation of the conditions of the policy, render the contract of insurance void, unless the policy is indorsed with a special permission for the increased hazard. Therefore such changes made in violation of the above conditions will affect the insurance.

Another Smallpox Death.

One death from smallpox occurred yesterday and 11 new cases were reported. The patient whose death was reported was John Woller, 32 years old, a bridge worker, whose home is at Economy.

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A NIGHT AT THE PLAY

Alvin—"If I Were King."

IT was Justin Huntley McCarthy's poetic drama, E. H. Sothern's fine acting as Francois Villon and the splendid mounting that this actor's genius and Mr. Daniel Frohman's liberality gave the drama that furnished Pittsburghers one of the most delightful entertainments given at the Alvin theater last season. The play, the actor and, with few exceptions, the same company, is again at this theater this week, and last evening repeated and emphasized the impressions of last season. McCarthy's play is a beautifully poetic bit of romance. Its basis of fact is meagre, but so impressively, so romantically and with such brave and alluring style has the Celtic playwright fashioned this new history of the Gallic vagabond and rhymster that the result is pleasing to a remarkable degree. In dramatic construction, as well as in loftiness of literary style, "If I Were King" is full of delightful moments. The third act is an especialy clever piece of work. It teems with love and romance, and merges through the glamour of these into a heroic climax in which the clash of mailed armor and the clink of swords become the finals of a poetic but brief dream of power and love. The ending is a happy one, as all romance should be, though this fact is cleverly concealed by the dramatist until the last moment.

As Francois Villon Mr. Sothern indites with fine artistic skill the moods of McCarthy's ideal ballad monger and heroic lover. His interpretation has broadened and softened wonderfully through experience, and a study of his advance in this role is a fair indicator of the powers and versatility of this splendid actor. There are moments in the life of Francois Villon as Mr. Sothern lives him on the stage full of as fine mimetic art as the stage has ever had virile, graceful, full of fire and intelligence. There are still many marring mannerisms, the disposition to drawl his words at times, but in subtle and convincing art even this role of Villon, smothered as it is in hyperbole and dripping with the honey sweets of an over-poetic fancy is made to shine like a star in the heaps of stage rubbish that one gets thrust upon them in this age.

Much interest was felt in seeing Mr. Sothern's new leading lady, who has for the nonce supplanted Miss Cecelia Loftus in the role of Katherine de Vaucelles. Miss Margaret Illington is an actress of decided promise and made a fine impression last evening. She has a strong, mobile countenance and a musical voice which she uses with great effect. That she lacks repose and for that reason loses the opportunity to make the best of her one or two moments of high emotionalism, is due as much to youth and inexperience as to any other cause. As it is she is more beautifully human and more passionately a woman than her predecessor in the role. The other character in the play that won new favor was that of Hugette, the Abbess, palyed last season by Miss Suzanne Sheldon, and this year by Miss Jennie Eustace. Miss Eustace won deserved applause, for her acting was intelligent and gave fine semblance to the mixed emotions of a woman of the "under world" who loves to the death. The play was mounted in the same handsome manner and the audience enthusiastically expressed its approval in a number of curtain calls for the stardand company. Mr. Sothern gracefully held to his rule not to commit that egregious blunder—a stage speech in character. It will not do to close this brief review without again alluding to the Louis of George W. Wilson. It is a sinister impersonation, commanding to the point of perfection in the detail and finish of its power.

Mr. Sothern will play Villon until Friday evening, when he will be seen in his new production of Hamlet.

Grand—"Arrah Na Pogue."

DION BOUCICAULT wrote three or four Irish dramas that had a long life under the spell of his own acting and that of Agnes Robertson, his wife. One of them, "Con the Shaughraun," stands as a representative type, and its complement, "Arrah-na-Pogue," is enough alike in atmosphere and general plot to be justly considered a sequel. Boucicault stands quite alone in this particular field of Irish characterization. His Irishmen have served as a model for much that has come after in poetry, song and drama, but we doubt whether the originals of Boucicault's stage people ever lived, either in Ireland or anywhere else on top of the globe. They are all fashioned alike and sing the same songs, dance the same dances and get mixed up in the same terrible troubles on account of their loyalty to some old Irish family of quality. But the plays furnish fine "acting" chances, and for this reason we find them still creeping into the repertories of stock companies. Boucicault wrote for the actors, being an actor himself, whatever may be said of the character drawing of his plays.

"Arrah-na-Pogue," which the stock company is using at the Grand this week, is just such a play, and it is not surprising to find the players doing some excellent work. Charles Abbe as Michael Feeny plays the role of a villainous process server with rare skill. The sight of so good natured a comedian cast in a role that comes it for all the hissing, would be distressing if Mr. Abbe did not disarm all personal regret by acting of a fine order. His makeup, too, is admirable, and his villainy given a repulsiveness that makes it seem more than skin deep.

Mr. Ingersoll, the Shaun who loves his Colleen, is also in an element that suits him. There is a rollicking Irish wit and insouciance in his interpretation that adds to the pleasure of the performance. Miss Marion Ballou is back on sure ground again as "Arrah," and plays the devoted Irish lassie with great charm. Mr. Beach is more at home as the O'Grady and has the sympathies of the audience with him from start to finish. Mr. Greenleaf plays Beamish McCool in a stilted and unnatural manner and makes anything else than the dashing Irish hero. Mr. Greenleaf needs to take care of his reading. He has a bad habit of putting the emphasis at the wrong place. The rest of the cast is equal to the work assigned them, not forgetting the clever dancing of the McCann family in the first act. The little girl tot is an exceedingly graceful little dancer. The scenery is adequate only.

Empire—"Over Niagara Falls."

WITH two strong stage scenes, one a masterpiece, an abundant supply of sensationalism and some good acting, the "Over Niagara Falls" opened to a small but wildly enthusiastic house last night at the Empire. The production is offered as a "scenic melodrama," and it may be said that the scenic effects are not only the strongest feature of the play, but out of the ordinary in their daring conception and excellence of execution, while the melodrama end of the play is not only very melodramatic, but not the best of its class in either conception or construction. But even if the melodrama was devoid of what interest it holds, and even if the number of members of the company who are entertaining in their work were removed, "Over Niagara Falls" would be entitled to draw full houses throughout the country if for nothing more than a glimpse of the magnificently realistic electrical effect in the creation of the foaming and seething waters of Niagara before the very eyes of the audience. It is one of the boldest effects ever attempted, and is miles ahead of such affairs as moving trains and the mere placid rolling of quiet waters. The gallery and house lent themselves to a pandemonium of whistling and applause which required the raising of the curtain eight times before the scene could be relinquished. Another strong scene was the buildings of the Pan-American exposition in the background of the Indian village, especially when the white buildings sprang into lines of electric light, in faithful reproduction of the Pan itself. The regulation death scene introduced here in the Indian village between the rich and base villain of the production, was also loudly encored. When it was announced that the fat and portly Ass Phillips of the trust magnate type had gone to his father's, the realism of the scene was given a touch of the ludicrous by the steady breathing of the dead man, apparent in the rise and fall of his substantial waist girth. Mac M. Barnes, as the bloated moneyed man with a past and two wives, was good. A decided hit was made by Miss Norma Hyatt as Madge Roslyn, a kittenish young woman of the rollicking and flirty type. Her acting was mostly natural and strong. Bert Bartlett made a good suitor of the awkward, overgrown college brand, while Gustave Neville, as Indian chief and circus ring master, filled the bill perfectly.

Bijou—"A Kentucky Feud."

JAMES R. GAREY and William T. KEOUGH in their new melodrama, "A Kentucky Feud," which is being presented at the Bijou theater this week, have solved the problem of introducing thrilling situations and strong melo-dramatic climaxes without sacrificing their theme to exaggeration. The scene of the play is laid in the moonshine district of Kentucky and offers exceptional opportunities for elaborate scenery, novel stage effects and plenty of excitement, all of which allows the story of life in the "feud belt" to be told in a natural way. Mr. Garey is an old Pittsburgher and despite the bad weather yesterday big crowds turned out at both afternoon and evening performances to greet their fellow-townsman and his company. "A Kentucky Feud" is the best melodrama that has been seen at the Bijou this year and it doubtless will be counted a success for many seasons to come. The play faithfully depicts the romantic atmosphere of the Blue Grass country and is interpreted by a company of unusual merit. Mr. Garey, in the part of "Old Holly," a philosophic moonshiner, has a role that enables him with wonderful fidelity to give a stage picture of a character that is familiar to all who have traveled in the Kentucky mountains. Miss Agnes Carlton, in the leading female part, does some remarkably clever work. She is a Kentucky mountain girl in every droll accent and mannerism that distinguishes the women of that wild country. Miss Lucille Loring likewise is clever and has mastered the difficult southern accent. Miss Nellie Heywood is full of promise in her comedy part as "Auntie Lindy, a typical negro mammy. A nimble troupe of buck and wing dancers and a pickaninny band are strong features in the production.

Avenue—Continuous Vaudeville.

THE big crowd of vaudeville lovers that filled nearly every seat of the Avenue last night was satisfactory evidence that Manager Davis is bringing the very best vaudeville talent to his new play house. The crowd were stayers. From the time they entered until the curtain went rolling down it was a rare thing to see a person leave his or her seat and the enthusiastic reception that was accorded the performers was still further proof of the success of this week's bill at this theater. Variety is present and the talent displayed is way above the average. The musical contingent in the audience was asily persuaded to fall in love with Gillett's musical dogs. In the Quaker City quartet they found a stock of melody interspersed with lively drives and comic allusions that made a decided hit. Almont and Dumnd, who are styled the world's greatest instrumental Hussars, lost none of their reputation by their feats last night, but were warmly applauded. The greatest of the musical surprises was Frank Whitman, the dancing violinist, whose wonderful contortions with the violin are well worth seeing. For mirth-provoking acting the singing teacher stunt of Cooper and Bailey brought out the largest measure of appreciation and in Jeannette Fleisig there was given an example of striking musical talent in a mere child. Better than the average was the farcical bumble, "Holing in a Pickle," where the strange mixture of wives and titles hit off a phase of real life. For nimbleness and clever feats of tumbling the three Ronaldos surpassed anything that has been on the Avenue stage this winter. The most striking feature of the entertainment was Marcell's living pictures, which were produced so well as to defy the most careful spectator. This feature of the bill at the Avenue is saved till the last in this review, but it is a truly wonderful exhibition in which rare stage effects and fine artistic posing form a scene that should awaken enthusiasm even in the breast of an artist. It is a truly marvelous vaudeville attraction and deserves the praise that has been bestowed upon it.

Duquesne—Vandeville.

AN excellent entertainment is offered by the management of the Duquesne this week. While most of the acts are not new, they have nearly all been improved and brought up to date. The one-act comedy, "Mrs. Delaney," by the Ellnore sisters, received the greatest applause during the evening. Kate Elinore has one of the very best monologues in vaudeville, and May Elinore is a good soubrette singer and dancer. Hines and Remington can keep any audience in a good humor with their sketch, "Miss Patter of Patterson," and the Burmese Moung Toon duo are the most unique and interesting juggliers Pittsburghers have seen this season. Leroy and Woodford have some popular songs and a rattling good dialogue, as have also Fisher and Carroll. Clayton White and Marie Stewart do some very clever acting in their rainy little sketch, entitled "Paris," Katherine Osterman and Edwin Boring received their usual cordial greeting, but "The Editor" offers neither Miss Osterman nor Mr. Boring much opportunity to display their talent. Hacker and Lester have improved considerably in their always good acrobatic work on bicycles, and the whistling and imitations of May Evans is above the average in quality.

Academy—"Night on Broadway."

HARRY MORRIS is presenting a sort of an experiment on the burlesque circuit in a two-act musical farce called "A Night on Broadway." It deals with the usual farce comedy material, which means, of course, a series of mistakes in identity, etc. The leading comedy role is taken by Harry Morris, who is well known as a German comedian and all-round fun-maker and roars of laughter rewarded his efforts last night. The only familiar burlesque feature retained is the chorus, as the Academy patrons would not stand for having that eliminated. The musical numbers have been written for the show and nearly all were encored. While not being anything extraordinary in the farce comedy line there is enough fun to keep a ripple of laughter going, which is sufficient commendation for the performance as a whole.

Weedon Grossmith.

MR. WEEDON GROSSMITH and his entire English company will present "The Night of the Party" at the Alvin theater Christmas week. Owing to the manifested interest shown in this famous English comedian, it is expected that the seat sale, when it opens Thursday morning, will be unusually large. Mr. Grossmith will give nine performances of "The Night of the Party" at the Alvin theater, including matinees, Wednesday, Christmas day (Thursday) and Saturday.

The Xmas Pantomime.

The sale of seats for the Xmas pantomime at the Grand Opera house, which opens next Monday, is in progress at the box office to the left of the theater entrance every day from 9 a. m. until 10 p. m. Notwithstanding the enormous throng of ticket buyers last week there are still to be had desirable locations for almost any performance. The remainder of the Kiralfy ballet and chorus for the pantomime arrived in the city yesterday from New York. Rehearsals are going on for the ballet in Old City hall, while the chorus is rehearsing in Turner hall. The stage of both the Avenue and Grand are also in use for rehearsals.

WHAT TO EAT.

Some Valuable Suggestions for the Kitchen and Dining Room.

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Coffee.
LUNCH.
Scalloped Oysters. Dressed Cabbage.
Apple Cake. Cocoa.
DINNER.
Tomato Bouillon.
Stewed Knuckle of Veal. Dumplings.
Creamed Carrots. Mashed Turnips.
String Bean Salad.
Pumpkin Pudding. Coffee.

Thursday.

BREAKFAST.
Fruit.
Cereal. Cream.
Hamburg Steak. Stewed Potatoes.
Popovers. Coffee.
LUNCH.
Curried Veal. Boiled Rice.
Toasted Muffins. Quince Jam.
Tea.
DINNER.
Scotch Broth.
Lamb Chops. Baked Sweet Potatoes.
Stewed Cabbage. Spiced Beets.
Fruit Salad.
Cream Cheese. Toasted Wafers.
Coffee.

Friday.

BREAKFAST.
Fruit.
Cereal. Cream.
Codfish Balls. Tomato Sauce.
Rice Griddle Cakes. Honey.
Coffee.
LUNCH.
Clam Chowder.
Celery Sandwiches. Cottage Cheese.
Spiced Cake. Cocoa.
DINNER.
Oyster Soup.
Boiled Trout. Egg Sauce.
Stuffed Potatoes. Glazed Onions.
Lettuce Salad.
Lemon Snow. Vanilla Sauce.
Coffee.

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Mrs. W. L. writes: Will you please publish a pudding recipe in which rice and apples are combined?

Hilderbraud Pudding.

Two pounds of apples; scant half cup of rice; sugar to taste; grated peel of half a lemon and a tablespoonful of butter. Boil the rice in plenty of water until tender. Pare and core the apples and put them until soft in a little water. Butter a pudding dish and put in alternate layers of rice and apple, adding sugar and grated lemon peel until the dish is full, having the last layer of rice. Put little bits of butter over it; cover with a plate and bake for an hour.

Baked Cranberries.

Mrs. S. F. V. writes: Would like a recipe for old-time baked cranberries?

Fill a stone crock two-thirds full of carefully washed, plump cranberries; pour hot water over them and bake slowly, covered, until they are tender. When they begin to grow soft stir in carefully half as much sugar as there are cranberries, and finish baking.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses were granted yesterday:

Harry B. Bryson	Pittsburgh
Nancy C. McClung	Pittsburgh
L. H. Henry	West Virginia
Belle Butler	West Virginia
A. F. Rosensteel	Bellevue
Mary A. Cook	Bellevue
George C. Brewer	Greensburg
Hattie A. Sheffler	Greensburg
James Keffer	Wheeling Junction, Va.
Maud Haley	Washington County
Michael Krapp	Elliott
Ella Bray	Elliott
Francis S. Guthrie	Pittsburgh
Mary C. Hays	Pittsburgh
Gust Posee	Pittsburgh
Lillian M. Moeller	Allegheny
Henry M. Reed	Allegheny
Gwendolin Daniels	Allegheny
Max Laventon	Pittsburgh
Aurda Framer	Pittsburgh
George H. Charlton	Duquesne
Katie E. Hobbs	Duquesne
Frank A. McGinnis	McKees Rocks
Katherine Baier	Etna
Daniel W. Young	New Kensington
Richard L. Price	Homestead
Minnie B. Harris	Homestead
Robert M. Davison	Pittsburgh
Mary A. Cramp	Allegheny
Charles Murray	Pittsburgh
Mary Alexander	Pittsburgh
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SOCIETY

MRS. WILLIAM N. FREW will give a dinner on Thursday evening, January 1, in honor of her son, William Nimick Frew, Jr., who is a senior this year in Yale, and two of his college friends who will be his guests at that time. They are James R. Reynolds, the president of the Yale University Glee club, and Joseph Thomas of New York, the manager. The guests at the dinner will include 12 of the men in the glee club, all of whom are seniors, and 12 of the debutantes of this year. Arthur Dodge of New York, the son of W. E. Dodge, will also be a guest of William N. Frew, Jr., during the holidays. Mr. Frew and his sisters, Miss Virginia Frew and Miss Marguerite Frew, who are students at Dobbs Ferry, are expected home on Thursday of this week.

Among the pleasant affairs which were being planned for th short stay of the Yale men of the glee club was the tea which Miss Gertrude Childs, one of this year's debutantes, intended giving in their honor. The train bearing the glee club, however, will not arrive in Pittsburgh until 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon of January 1, and Miss Childs' invitation was regretfully declined. Mr. and Mrs. James I. Kay's dance at the Pittsburgh Golf club for their daughter, Miss Louise Kay, will be the climax to the events of the day. It will be late in opening, for the guests and college men will go out to the club from the concert in Carnegie music hall.

Thursday of this week will see the arrival of many of the local Yale men in Pittsburgh for the holidays. Childs Frick, the son of Henry Clay Frick, who is in his sophomore year at Yale, will come home then; Miss Florence Harper and Miss Lydia E. Harper, the young daughters of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Harper, who are studying at St. Margaret's school, will be home on Thursday and will bring with them two school friends, Miss Daisy Strong of Hartford, Conn., and Miss Edna Brooks of Germantown, Pa., who will be guests at the Harper home in Cliff street.

Harvey C. McClintock and Turner Moorhead, both of whom have been playing this year on the Yale football team, are coming home for the holidays, the presence of the Yale hockey team attracting to Pittsburgh all of the local boys who are entered at Yale. Joseph Holmes, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Holmes; Albert B. Schultz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Schultz; John Baird Atwood, son of Moses Atwood; Christ Dravo, Mrs. A. Clark Dravo's son, and Christopher Magee Anderson, son of John M. Anderson, are all coming the last of the week.

Miss Martha Herron, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Brown Herron, is at Miss Dana's school in Morristown, N. J., and will be home for the holidays. Among the Ogontz girls are Miss Pauline Dilworth, daughter of Mrs. George Dilworth of the Schenley; Miss Florence O'Neil, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward O'Neil of Sewickley, and Miss Helen Foster Harrison, a niece of Mrs. William G. Foster of North Highland avenue. St. Margaret's girls who are coming home are Miss Mabel Gillespie of North Highland avenue; Miss Marguerite Evans, of the East End, and Miss Jane Blair, Miss Betty Wardrop, Miss Marion Clapp and Miss Fredericka Hay of Sewickley. Miss Helen Davis, Miss Hester Singer and Miss Helen Witherow are coming on from Ogontz, and Miss Anna and Miss Clara McFeeley from Walnut Lane. The Walnut Lane girls are going to have a good time, for Miss Harriet M. Nimick will give a skating party for them on Monday evening, December 29; Miss Della L. Bosworth a luncheon on January 2, and a dance on January 8.

Miss Emma K. Bache of New York is expected in Pittsburgh on Thursday to visit her grandfather, George Bingham, of the Hotel Schenley. Miss Bache, who is still a school girl, will be here about 10 days and then go to Lancaster, Pa., for a short visit with a school friend before returning to Mrs. Somer's school in Washington, D. C.

Dinner for the Bridal Party.

Miss Virginia Bughman gave a dinner last evening at the Schenley in honor of Miss Mary Crossan Hays and Francis Sellers Guthrie and the members of their wedding party. The dinner followed the rehearsal at the Shadyside Presbyterian church for the weddings, which will take place this evening. It was a pretty affair, the table daintily decorated with flowers, and the guests were: Miss Mary Hays, her sister; Miss Caroline Irwin Hays, who will be the maid of honor; Miss Willa Forsyth, Miss Marian Tuthill and Miss Pauline Griffiss, who, with Miss Virginia Bughman, will be the bridesmaids; Mr. Guthrie and his brother, John Brandon Guthrie, who will be best man, and Carroll P. David, Starling Winston Childs, Walter McClintock, Robert Walker Flenniken, J. Hudson Brooks, Jr., and the bride's brother, William H. Hays, Jr., who will be the ushers.

Skating at Duquesne Garden.

Miss Alice Thaw entertained members of the debutante set and a number of the older girls and men at Duquesne Garden last evening, her guests including about 40 young people. They were chaperoned by Miss Thaw's mother, Mrs. William Thaw, and several of her personal friends, who occupied the boxes while the young people were skating. On leaving the garden, Miss Thaw's guests drove to Lyndhurst, where supper was served. Harry K. Thaw and his guest, the earl of Yarmouth, left last evening for New York. After Christmas Mrs. Thaw and Miss Thaw go to Washington, D. C., to spend the winter season.

Miss Rachel Miller's Debut.

Two debutantes enter society this week. The first, Miss Rachel McMasters Miller, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mortimer C. Miller of Turtle Creek, made her debut yesterday afternoon at a large reception at the Schenley, where the Millers have been spending their winters ever since its erection. The reception hours were from 3 o'clock until 6 in the drawing-room suite. Assisting the hostess and her young daughter were Mrs. John Fremint Steel, at whose wedding several years ago Miss Rachel Miller was the maid of honor; Mrs. James Neale, Mrs. W. A. Magee, Mrs. Warrington Warrick, Mrs. Frank Hearne, Mrs. Emmett Queen, Mrs. Wilbur Shenk, Mrs. Willis F. McCook, Mrs. James R. Mellon, Mrs. A. M. Scott, Mrs. William Watson Smith, Mrs. Alexander M. Jenkinson, Miss Pauline Wightman of Cleveland, who is visiting Miss Miller; Miss Louise Magee, Miss Margaret Chalfant, Miss Edna McKay, Miss Louise R. Donnelly, Miss Lelia Donnelly, Miss Rebekah Friend, Miss Rebecca Jennings, Miss Alice G. Pennock, Miss Ella Cassidy and Miss Ethel Cassidy.

The debutante is a graceful and pretty girl and appeared yesterday in a French gown of white embroidered muslin and silk, with trimmings of the popular Irish pointe. Mrs. Miller wore a handsome reception gown, and the assisting matrons appeared in handsome reception costumes, while the younger girls were almost without exception in white. The decorations were superb. They were strikingly brilliant in color, and with a foundation scheme of tropical plants and American beauty roses, the flowers with which the debutante was greeted appeared in unending variety of color and beauty. They represented the choicest flowers of the season, with rare orchids and sweet violets the extremes.

A number of entertainments will be given for Miss Miller, who is one of the most attractive of the girls out this year, today the Misses McKay giving a luncheon for both Miss Rachel Miller and Miss Ethel Cassidy. On Saturday Mrs. Emmett Queen will give a luncheon for Miss Miller and Miss Rebecca Jennings.

Mrs. Shaffer's Musicale.

Mrs. John Fremont Shaffer's tea and musicale yesterday afternoon was one of the most delightful and one of the handsomest entertainments of the season. Mrs. Shaffer's invitations named the hours of 3 to 5 and her guests included a large number of her friends and acquaintances. The entertainment was given at her new house in South Negley avenue, East End, and Dr. Shaffer's superb collection of orchids, one of the finest in the state, contributed largely to the beautiful decorations. In the drawing room, where the musicians were stationed, were simple clusters of bridesmaid's roses; the hall was brilliant with its holiday colors in palms, poinsetta and American Beauty roses. In the dining room were rare and beautiful orchids and in the dining room holly was given the place of honor. Assisting Mrs. Shaffer to receive her guests were Mrs. Frederick R. Babcock, Mrs. W. S. Miller, Mrs. Samuel Lansing Seymour, Mrs. Margaret Dallmeyer, Miss Shaw, Mrs. Shaffer's niece, and Miss Jeannette Agnew. The musical program, which was exceptionally enjoyable, was contributed by Miss Gertrude Shaw, Mrs. Shaffer's niece, who is a talented violinist; Miss Henrietta Kell, who sang, and a trio of violinists, Miss Risher, Miss Shaw and Miss Riddle. The Rentz quartette, composed of members of the Pittsburgh orchestra, also played.

Pennsylvanians in Japan.

Pittsburgh people, as well as those in Philadelphia, are interested in President Roosevelt's appointment of Lloyd Griscom of the Quaker City as United States minister to Japan. Mr. Griscom was first secretary of the United States legation in Turkey until the appointment of John G. A. Leishman of this city as minister to that country. He then became minister to Persia. A Pittsburgh man, John M. Ferguson, is the second secretary of the United States legation in Japan, having gone to that post two years ago. His father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund M. Ferguson, accompanied by their daughter, Miss Martha Ferguson, went to Japan last fall and spent several months with their son. John M. Ferguson was one of the first men in Pittsburgh to have a Japanese valet, and he was a picturesque addition to the domestic household at the Ferguson mansion in Shadyside.

Invitations Reached Pittsburgh.

Pittsburgh friends and relatives yesterday received invitations to the wedding of Miss Alice Sheldon Marshall, daughter of the Hon. and Mrs. Theodore L. Marshall of Osage City, Kan., and John Pollock McConahey of this city. The ceremony will be performed in the First Presbyterian church of Osage City Wednesday evening, December 24, at 9 o'clock. The maid of honor will be Miss Esther Marshall, a sister of the bride-to-be, while Frederick McConahey of Pittsburgh will be best man. The ushers will be James M. McConahey of Chicago and Dr. William D. Inglis of Columbus, O. The reception after the wedding ceremony will be given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, No. 217 Sixth street. After the marriage it is the intention of the couple to take an extended eastern trip lasting for several weeks. On their arrival in Pittsburgh they will be at home to their friends at the Iroquois apartments, Atwood and Forbes streets, after February 1.

Prof. Axson Lectured.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Woods entertained at their handsome home in Grant street, Sewickley, last evening. The affair was in the form of a lecture, the second in the series which is being delivered at their home this winter by Prof. Stockton Axson of Princeton university. His topic yesterday was "Dean Swift," and he delivered an unusually interesting talk. There were 100 guests present, all of whom were from the valley. Following the lecture there was a delightful social hour and refreshments were served by the hostess. The dining room was elaborately decorated, the colors being green and white, huge palms, ferns and smilax with the white narcissus, being used. Prof. Axson took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Woods in the evening. Other lectures will be delivered by him this winter, no dates as yet having been set.

Presented With an Automobile.

Mrs. Eugene L. Messler gave a dinner last evening at her home in Irwin avenue, Squirrel hill, her guests including 25 of the employes of the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company, who are immediately under Mr. Messler's supervision. The dinner was not only a very enjoyable affair, but a total surprise to Mr. Messler, who was almost overwhelmed when, during the evening, he was presented with a handsome automobile, a Christmas gift from his unexpected but welcome guests. The presentation speech was made by Mr. Gilday. In order to insure success, Mrs. Messler had been entrusted with the secret, and she cooperated in making the occasion a most delightful one for all.

Guest at the White House.

President Roosevelt and Mrs. Roosevelt gave a dinner last evening in the White House in Washington, D. C., in honor of Mrs. Henry Clay Frick of Pittsburgh. When President Roosevelt was in this city last summer to deliver his famous Fourth of July oration in Schenley park, he was entertained at "Clayton, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frick, in Homewood. Mr. Frick gave a luncheon in his honor and the president spent the afternoon at Clayton, resting until the dinner which Attorney General Knox gave in the evening at the Schenley.

Club Meetings.

John W. Beatty gave a very interesting and instructive talk yesterday morning before the members of the Twentieth Century club, his subject being "Art."

The Tourist club met yesterday afternoon in Trinity Parish house in Sixth avenue.

Mrs. Harry W. Fisher last evening entertained the card club of which both Mr. and Mrs. Fisher are members.

Mrs. O'Neil Entertained.

Mrs. Edward O'Neil entertained the Monday Card club, which was reorganized a week ago at Mrs. Frank McKinnie's residence, at her home in Beaver street, Sewickley, yesterday afternoon. This club has not been meeting during the past three years, but the reunion last week was such an enjoyable affair that it was decided to reorganize. Four-handed euchre is the game played, and there were almost 40 present yesterday. Three prizes were given to club members, and two were offered for the winners at the visitors' tables, there being three tables for invited guests. Mrs. O'Neil's home, "Wisteria," was very pretty with its decorations of green and yellow narcissus.

Will Have a Summer Home.

Announcement was made yesterday by H. D. W. English, president of the Kingsley House association, that, through the kindness of one of the members of the association, a summer home is to be built. The site selected is on a farm of 47 acres at Valencia, on the Pittsburgh & Western railroad, about 20 miles from the city. Architects are now at work on plans for the new house.

A building committee from the board of directors has been appointed and the home will probably be ready for occupancy by next summer. The position of assistant head-worker has been accepted by John H. Lotz, for three years an instructor at St. Paul's school, Garden City, Long Island. He will begin his work in Pittsburgh this month.

Hamilton—Griffin.

Mrs. Jeannette Stevenson of Ridge avenue, New Castle, Pa., yesterday announced the marriage which occurred at her home on Thanksgiving day, which had been kept secret for the time. The contracting parties are A. F. Griffin of Monessen, Pa., and Miss Anna Hamilton, a relative of Mrs. Stevenson. Immediately after the wedding the couple left for an eastern wedding trip. They returned on Saturday and have gone to Monessen, where they will live.

Swindell—Truelson.

Mrs. Margaret Swindell of South Atlantic avenue, East End, and Henry Truelson of Copenhagen, Denmark, were married last Wednesday evening by the Rev. Joseph Toner, at the parsonage of the St. Lauren's church, Atlantic avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Truelson are taking an eastern wedding trip. They will live in Pittsburgh.

Dinner in Honor of Two Brides.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert C. McCallam gave a dinner on Saturday evening in honor of two recent brides, Mrs. Robert Wray, who was Miss Gillespie, and Mrs. M. D. Ritchie, who was Miss Jessie Hasson of Oil City. Mrs. Wray is a niece of the hostess. Covers were laid for 12.

Artist's Day.

At the Women's club in Sewickley today will be an artist's day. Miss Anna Caulfield of Grand Rapids, Mich., will deliver a stereopticon lecture on "Paris."

Huntington—Spreckels Nuptials.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—A notable wedding tonight was that of Miss Edith Huntington and gradniece of the late at the Palace hotel. Archbishop Riordan performed the ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willard V. Huntington and grand niece of the late Collis P. Huntington. The groom is the only son of John D. Spreckels, the sugar king.

MUSIC AND FUN PROVIDED FOR CHRISTMAS.

Mellor's are selling a great many Christmas articles nowadays, such as Phonographs, Music Boxes, etc. The Edison Phonographs range from $10 to $150; Victor Graphophones, $15 to $50. There is a complete variety of Edison and Victor records fresh from the factories and comprising many new songs, speeches, etc.

No end of fun can be got out of one of these talking machines, or they are called and every home is made merrier by such a device. The children do not by any means monopolize the fun, either, for their elders get as much enjoyment from Phonographs and Gramophones as the youngsters can possibly derive from such a source.

One of the advantages of having a Phonograph or Gramophone is that it enables one to produce dance music, songs, marches and numerous other musical pieces, therefore it is always a source of delight on the occasion of a party or other like entertainments in the home.

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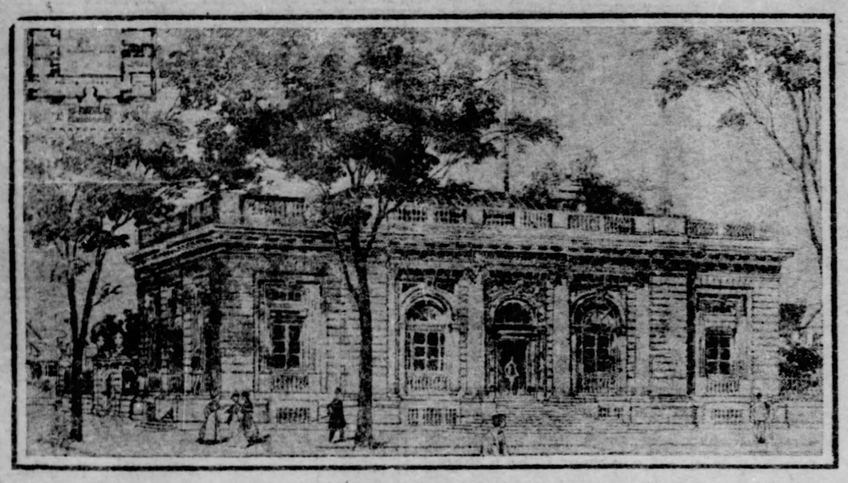
News of Nearby Towns and Country

Federal Building Planned for New Castle.



(Special Telegram to The Gazette.)

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 15.—The plans for the government building to be erected here have been announced by the postoffice department at Washington. Of the total appropriation of $125,000 between $98,000 and $100,000 is available for the building, the balance having been expended in purchasing the site. The structure will be two stories in height, although the exterior gives the appearance of a single story building. It will be built at the intersection of North and North Mercer streets, directly between the business and residence portions of the city.

WASHINGTON COUNTY TEACHERS IN SESSION

Institute Program Opens With Large Attendance of Instructors.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 15.—The Fifty-second annual teachers' institute of Washington county opened here this morning with nearly all of the 500 teachers in attendance. Great preparations have been made for this institute, which promises to be one of the best in the history of the county. The principal addresses today were made by Prof. Robert A. Armstrong of Cambridge, Mass., and Dr. W. W. Stetson of Augusta, Me.

Following are the officers of the institue who will preside during the week: President, Frank R. Hall, county superintendent; vice president, former County Superintendent A. J. Buffington, W. D. Brightwell, C. H. Wolford, L. F. Lutton, D. H. Rasel; query master, C. M. Herron; assistants, W. H. Cober, W. H. Martin, S. W. Bennington; committees, Pedagogics, J. C. Norris, W. J. Speer, Emma M. Campbell, Anna R. Riley, Florence G. Mitchell; exhibits, R. G. Dean, S. P. McWilliams, George D. Grimes, Emma H. Warner, Jessie Brown, Katharine A. Grier; resolutions, E. B. Enoch, H. S. Kuder, E. F. Westlake, Ella Forsythe, Ada S. Espy, Laura B. Johnston; clerks, J. M. Evans and G. J. Woodburn; permanent certificate committee for the county, Louis F. Lutton, Frank A. Hildebrand, Etta M. Post.

The list of instructors is as follows, Dr. J. D. Moffat, Washington; Dr. T. B. Noss, California; Dr. Sanford Bell, South Hadley, Mass.; Dr. Robert A. Armstrong, Cambridge, Mass.; Supt. Frank H. Hall, Aurora, Ill.; Dr. W. W. Stetson, Augusta, Me.; Mrs. Anna E. Friedman, Buffalo, N. Y.; music director, Prof. T. L. Gibson, Ebensburg; soloists, Mrs. Maude W. McDonald, Columbus, O.; Miss Anna Gertrude Clark, Allegheny; Donald Chambers, Pittsburgh; George Vorwerck, Washington; Karl Bloss, Washington; the Ernest Gamble Concert Company, Pittsburgh; the Vorwerck orchestra, Washington; pianist, Miss Margaret Acheson; organist, Miss Laura Young; readers, Miss Elizabeth Augusta Rial, Venetia; Miss Inez Burroughs, Washington.

BUTLER, PA., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The Butler county and Butler borough teachers' institute opened here this afternoon with County Superintendent H. L. Painter presiding. Over 300 teachers were enr olled. Th devotional services were conducted by the Rev. E. R. Worrel, followed by the address of welcome by Dr. Elgie Wagon of this place. The response was by Prof. Allen W. Kelly of Eau Clair. The instructors engaged for the institute are Dr. N. C. Shaeffer, state superintendent; Dr. Lewis O. Bonebrake, state commissioner of education, Columbus, O.; Dr. Fay D. Dyer, Oxford, O.; Dr. Albert E. Maltby, Slippery Rock; Dr. Theodore B. Noss California, Pa., and the Rev. Dorsey N. Miller, Mill Hall, Pa. Tonight Alton Packard of Boston gave an illustrated lecture on "Types of Uncle Sam's Folks."

INDIANA, PA., Dec. 15.—(Special)—The Indiana county institute is in session at this place. When County Superintendent J. T. Stewart completed his rolls he found 300 of the 314 teachers present. After singing "America," under the direction of Prof. C. M. Parker of Birmingham, N. Y., the Rev. Dr. F. S. Crawford of the Presbyterian church conducted the devotional service. The Rev. Dr. G. T. Reynolds of the Methodist Episcopal church welcomed the teachers. Prof. Harry Condron of Blairsville responded. Adresses followed by Dr. S. Y. Gillan, editor of the Western Teacher of Milwaukee, Wis., and Prof. N. H. Trezo of Clayton, Ill. The Rev. Dr. E. T. Hagerman of Norfolk, O., delivered the night lecture on "The World We Live in."

BANK LIQUIDATES.

American Exchange National of Cleveland Will Be Taken Over by the Park National.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—W. V. Coons of the Bankers National bank was appointed liquidating trustee of the American Exchange National bank by the directors of the latter institution today. The business of the bank will be taken over by the Park National bank and the stockholders of the liquidating bank are awarded the privilege of purchasing stock in the Park National at 150 to the amount of $125,000.

The American Exchange National bank was founded about four years ago by Richard M. Parmely, who recently died very suddenly.

Preacher Injured by a Fall.

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The Rev. J. A. Bailey, pastor of the United Presbyterian church at Mt. Jackson, six miles from here, is suffering from critical injuries received by him by fall while walking to church yesterday. During the services he became ill and had to be carried home, where his condition today is regarded critical.

In Explanation.

Some recent events have given a number of people the impression that Dr. Warner, the well-known Rectal specialist, with offices at 418 Penn avenue, had temporarily discontinued practice. This misapprehension grew out of a rather exaggerated newspaper report of a gas explosion in which Dr. Warner was slightly injured, without interfering with his practice.

The announcement of the recent death of Dr. Warner's father, E. S. Warner, was also construed by some as referring to Dr. R. E. Warner. This explanation is submitted for the information of those interested.

Champion Speller of Lawrence County.

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Miss Pansy A. Newton of Perry township is the champion speller of Lawrence county, having won that honor in a contest with all the best spellers in the public schools. The contest has been in progress for some weeks, and has just ended in an exciting finish.

Preliminary contests were held in each school district throughout the county and the winners there assembled at the New Castle Business college for the trial test. Nearly 50 spellers were in the contest and not a word was missed for several rounds. County Superintendent R. G. Allen and City Superintendent of Schools J. W. Canon acted as judges. Miss Newton is but 17 years old.

OFFICERS DISCOVERED STOLEN HARDWARE

Frank Graham Confesses to Robbery at Beaver Falls.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

BEAVER FALLS, PA., Dec. 15.—Chief of Police Strayer and Officer Cowan, accompanied by Mr. Beaner of the hardware store in this place, that was robbed two weeks ago, went to Chewton today, where there is a settlement of Italians. A large quantity of hardware was found and identified by Mr. Beaner as having come from his store.

Frank Graham, who is in jail on a charge of robbery, confessed to the stealing, and says he went to the Italian settlement to dispose of his goods. Graham had a hearing Sunday night before Justice Piper, pleaded guilty and was held for trial.

It is thought Graham is at the head of a gang that has been robbing this section for some time. He was born and reared near here and is well known.

HONOR FATHER HANNIN.

Bishop Horstman of Cleveland Appoints Priests to Officiate at Toledo.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 15.—Bishop Horstmann today appointed the following prelates and clergymen to be the officers of the solemn requiem mass at the funeral of the late Rev. Edward Hannin at St. Patrick's church, Toledo, Thursday at 10 a. m.

Celebrant, Bishop Horstmann of Cleveland; eulogist, Bishop Foley of Detroit; deacons of honor, the Revs. Michael Healy of Tiffin and A. I. Hoeffel of Delphos; deacon of the mass, the Rev. E. B. Kelley of Ann Arbor, Mich.; subdeacon of the mass, the Rev. S. E. Judge of Chicago; master of ceremonies, the Rev. M. D. Leahy of Cleveland, now in temporary charge of St. Patrick's church, Toledo.

Fathers Kelly and Judge are nephews of the deceased priest.

NO SUCCESSOR TO LEWIS.

Consolidated Lake Superior Company Will Go Without President for Present.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—The regular monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Consolidated Lake Superior Company was held today, and was protracted until late tonight. It was announced that the election of a successor to President F. H. Lewis, who resigned last week, was not regarded as an urgent necessity, and that the office would remain vacant for the present. Theodore C. Search, vice president of the company, is now acting head of the concern.

The most important feature which developed today was the statement that a satisfactory loan has been negotiated to tide the corporation over its present financial difficulties. The total amount of the loan was not announced, but it is said to be about $3,000,000. Of this amount it is said more than $700,000 has been secured to meet immediate obligations.

State Charters Issued.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 15.—Charters were issued by the state department to the following corporations: Pittsburgh Steeplechase and Amusement Company, Pittsburgh, capital $1,000; Bankers Trust Company, Pittsburgh, $1,000; Achme White Sand Company, Pittsburgh, $1,000; Blair Limestone Company, Pittsburgh, $1,000; Columbia Improvement Company, Pittsburgh, $1,000; Pittsburgh and Eastern Coal Company, Pittsburgh, capital $1,000; The Kountz Coal Mining Company, Harmarsville, $20,000; Donora Ice and Cold Storage Company, Donora, $30,000.

Nearly Frozen to Death.

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Michael Conner and John O'Neil were nearly frozen to death here last night. Policeman Eberly discovered them lying unconscious on the Black bridge, in an out of the way place, and they were taken to police headquarters. They admitted securing liquor yesterday at a local speakeasy. The police believe the men were drugged. They were discharged this morning.

PHYSICIANS MAY DEAL DIRECTLY WITH GERMS

New Castle Is to Have a Public Bacteriological Laboratory.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 15.—This city is to have a municipal bacteriological laboratory supported by public funds. A special committee, appointed by councils to investigate the matter, submitted a favorable report tonight, after consulting with Drs. R. G. Miles, John Foster and R. A. Wallace. Councils will probably allow $1,000 toward the equipment of the laboratory and $50 monthly will be paid one of the younger physicians to be on duty during specified hours.

Frequent tests will be made of the city water supply, while food products of all kinds will also be analyzed in order that the pure food laws can be strictly enforced here.

The laboratory has been asked for by the Lawrence County Medical society in order that diseases may be diagnosed by the germs in order to direct the proper treatment before the diseases advance.

The Girl Will Live.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 15.—John Plannenic shot two bullets into Marie Novak's body late this afternoon, because she refused to marry him. The girl is said to be not seriously hurt. Half an hour later, when about to be apprehended by the police, Plannenic shot himself through the heart, dying within a few minutes.

STATE AND NEIGHBORHOOD.

SHARON, PA.—Lumont Conorisky died of injuries received by falling under a train at the National steel works.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—Alonzo Dobbins, arrested on the charge of being drunk, died in the police station from the effects of alcoholism and morphine.

NEW BRIGHTON, PA.—E. A. Wurzel, an employe of the American Sewer Pipe Company, was killed while at work. He was engaged in cleaning out a kiln when it caved in on him.

SHARON, PA.—Joseph Donovan of South Sharon, who was shipping clerk at the wire nail works of the Union Steel Company, met death under a train inside the gates of the mill yard.

FAIRMONT, W. VA.—The supreme court affirmed Judge Mason's decision in the case of A. T. Hill, sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Hill is charged with stealing goods from a Baltimore & Ohio car.

MEXICO, PA.—Lewis Redmond was killed and William Greenfield seriously hurt by a freight train. They attempted to drive across the track when their wagon was struck by the engine. Both horses were killed.

THE NEW PANORAMIC PICTURE OF PITTSBURGH

A Birdseye View of the City That Is a Triumph of Photography.

Sunday, November 23, was one of the clearest days that has dawned on Western Pennsylvania this year. The air was cold and crisp, the sky cloudless, not a trace of haze overhanging the hilltops, and what little smoke rose from the mills dissipated itself in the upper atmosphere. As seen from Mt. Washington the entire business center of Pittsburgh was sharply defined, every building of prominence standing out clear and distinct, while the three river valleys disclosed long vistas of interesting scenery. From the Twenty-second street bridge up the Monongahela to a point nearly opposite Avalon, down the Ohio, the city and its environs was spread out as an open book, with Allegheny stretching back from the river bank to the crests of the gray hills which form its far-reaches.

It was an ideal day for landscape photography—just such a day as Mr. J. W. Spahr of Edgewood Park, who is justly celebrated for the perfection of his out-door pictures, has been awaiting for more than a year, as a favorable opportunity to attempt his masterpiece. Hastening to the city early in the day with his most powerful camera and a full equipment of plates, Mr. Spahr made his way to a point on Mt. Washington about midway between the Smithfield street and the Point bridges, planted his instrument in a sheltered nook, where not even the faint breeze could cause the slightest vibration, arranged his plates for quick handling, and awaited with what patience he could command the opportune five minutes when sunlight, smoke, wind and all the other conditions would afford him the one opportunity of the year to secure the coveted picture.

The chance came shortly after midday, and by dint of quick work and careful adjustment, Mr. Spahr secured four views of four successive sections of the scene before him, made precisely on the same scale, and under conditions so identical that when joined together the prints formed a perfect panorama of Pittsburgh and Allegheny, extending up and down the rivers for a distance of nearly three miles.

This remarkable photograph was brought to the attention of William Campbell, the Fifth avenue merchant, about 10 days ago, and the sagacious head of "The People's Store," keenly on the alert for exclusive Christmas novelties to please his patrons, lost no time in purchasing the sole rights of reproduction and hustling the original off to New York to the most resourceful engraving and publishing house in the metropolis. This concern was given carte blanche orders to set its artists and engravers and art printers at work with all possible celerity in order that Pittsburgers may have these splendid pictures of their city to give to each other as a Christmas token, or to send away to friends to show where they live and do business.

The first edition of 1,000 copies of this notable Pittsburgh photograph was received at "The People's Store" yesterday and is now on sale. They are engraved on heavy Bristol board, size 11x42 inches, and despite their high art excellence, great local interest and historic value, the price has been placed at only 25 cents. A limited edition likewise will appear on heavy paper, so that they can be rolled and sent in mailing tubes to people at a distance.

Miss Gannon, Sec'y Detroit Amateur Art Association, tells young women what to do to avoid pain and suffering caused by female troubles.

"Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—I can conscientiously recommend **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** to those of my sisters suffering with female weakness and the troubles which so often befall women. I suffered for months with general weakness, and felt so weary that I had hard work to keep up. I had shooting pains, and was utterly miserable. In my distress I was advised to use **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound,** and it was a red letter day to me when I took the first dose, for at that time my restoration began. In six weeks I was a changed woman, perfectly well in every respect. I felt so elated and happy that I want all women who suffer to get well as I did."—Miss Guila Gannon, 259 Jones St., Detroit, Mich., Secretary Amateur Art Association.

It is clearly shown in this young lady's letter that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will certainly cure the sufferings of women; and when one considers that Miss Gannon's letter is only one of the countless hundreds which we are continually publishing in the newspapers of this country, the great virtue of Mrs. Pinkham's medicine must be admitted by all; and for the absolute cure of all kinds of female ills no substitute can possibly take its place. Women should bear this important fact in mind when they go into a drug store, and be sure not to accept anything that is claimed to be "just as good" as **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound,** for no other medicine for female ills has made so many actual cures.

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Eastern Standard Time.

FOR PHILADELPHIA, NEW YORK, BALTIMORE AND WASHINGTON.

Atlantic Express, daily..... 3:00 a. m.
Pennsylvania Limited, daily..... 7:15 a. m.
Day Express, daily..... 7:30 a. m.
Main Line Express, daily..... 8:00 a. m.
Harrisburg Mail, daily..... 12:45 p. m.
Harrisburg Express, daily..... 4:40 p. m.
Philadelphia Express, daily..... 4:50 p. m.
Eastern Express, daily..... 7:10 p. m.
Fast Line, daily..... 9:00 p. m.
"Pittsburgh Limited," daily, for New York, Baltimore and Washington only..... 10:00 a. m.
The Pennsylvania Special, daily, for Philadelphia and New York.. 11:25 p. m.
Philadelphia Mail, Sunday only... 8:40 a. m.
For Buffalo and Niagara Falls, 9 a. m. and 10:45 p. m. daily.
For Oil City, 6:15, 9:00 a. m., 1:30, 3:05 and 10:45 p. m. week-days. Sundays, 9:00 a. m., 3:05 and 10:45 p. m.
For Titusville and Corry, 6:15, 9:00 a. m. and 10:45 p. m. week-days. Sundays, 9:00 a. m. and 10:45 p. m.
For Titusville only, 1:30 p. m week-days.
For Butler, 6:15, 9:00 a. m., 1:30 and 5:05 p. m., week-days. Sundays, 9:00 a. m. and 5:05 p. m.
For Atlantic City (via Delaware River Bridge, all-rail route), 8:00 a. m. and 9:00 p. m. daily.
For Connellsville and Uniontown, 5:10, 8:25 a. m., 12:45 and 4:25 p. m. week-days.
For West Brownsville and Uniontown, 10:25 a. m. and 4:20 p. m. week-days. For Belle Vernon and West Brownsville, 6:05, 8:00, 10:25 a. m., 1:05, 4:20 and 6:25 p. m. week days. Sundays, 8:35 a. m., 1:05, 5:00 and 9:50 p. m.
For West Elizabeth, Dravosburg and Monongahela City, 6:00, 8:00, 10:25 a. m., 1:05, 4:20, 5:20, 6:20 and 11:35 p. m. week-days. Sundays, 8:35 a. m., 1:05, 5:00 and 9:50 p. m. West Elizabeth and Dravosburg only, 3:20 p. m. week days.

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Schedule in effect Nov. 23, 1902. Trains leave B. & O. depot, Allegheny (Eastern Standard time): For Erie, Girard, Conneaut, O., and Meadville, 1:35 a. m. and 1:15 p. m.; Greenville, Mercer, Grove City and Keister, 7:35 a. m., 1:15 p. m. and 5:15 p. m. All trains daily except Sunday.

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RAILROADS.

Pittsburgh Union Station.

Pennsylvania Lines.

By Central Standard Time.

TRAINS	LEAVE.	ARRIVE.
Chicago and Cincinnati	* 1:10 am	* 1:45 am
Indianapolis and St. Louis	† 1:10 am	† 1:45 am
Fort Wayne and Chicago	* 1:15 am	* 1:40 am
Tiffin and Toledo	* 1:15 am	* 1:40 am
Indianapolis and St. Louis	* 4:50 am	* 5:50 pm
Columbus and Cincinnati	* 4:50 am	* 10:15 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 5:20 am	† 8:40 am
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 5:20 am	† 6:55 pm
Alliance and Cleveland	† 5:20 am	† 1:35 pm
Alliance and Wooster	† 5:40 am	† 11:30 pm
Jamestown & Youngstown	† 8:30 am	† 1:20 pm
Ohio Valley Express	† 6:45 am	† 8:35 pm
Fort Wayne and Chicago	* 7:00 am	* 5:30 pm
Fort Wayne and Chicago	* 1:00 am	* 5:30 pm
Tiffin and Toledo	* 7:00 am	* 5:30 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 7:30 am	† 4:55 pm
E. Liverpool and Bellaire	† 7:30 am	† 6:55 pm
Cleveland Fast Line	* 8:00 am	* 7:40 pm
Columbus and Cincinnati	* 8:00 am	* 5:40 pm
Erie, Mercer and Oil City	* 8:05 am	†10:55 am
N. Castle and Jamestown	* 8:05 am	* 5:00 pm
Youngstown & Ashtabula	* 8:05 am	† 5:50 pm
Youngstown & Ashtabula	* 9:00 am	†10:55 pm
Columbus and Chicago	*12:25 pm	* 2:00 pm
Youngstown & Jamestown	†12:35 pm	† 8:20 am
N. Castle and Ashtabula	†12:35 pm	† 8:20 pm
Alliance and Cleveland	† 1:25 pm	† 7:25 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 1:25 pm	† 7:25 pm
Alliance and Crestline	* 1:35 pm	*12:50 pm
New Castle and Erie	* 4:25 pm	† 8:50 pm
Youngstown and Niles	† 4:35 pm	† 8:50 pm
Mercer and Oil City	† 4:35 pm	† 8:50 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 4:40 pm	† 7:25 pm
Cleveland Special	* 5:00 pm	† 9:10 am
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 5:00 pm	† 9:10 am
Chicago Special	* 6:30 pm	* 7:45 am
Chicago Limited	* 8:15 pm	* 6:00 am
Columbus and Cincinnati	* 8:15 pm	* 6:00 am
Indianapolis and St. Louis	* 8:15 pm	* 8:17 pm
Indianap., Louis. & St. L.	* 8:15 pm	* 6:20 am
Toledo and Detroit	* 8:15 pm	* 6:30 am
Penna. (Special) Chicago	*10:20 pm	* 6:50 pm
Beaver Falls & N. Castle	†10:20 pm	† 8:30 pm
Alliance and Cleveland	*11:00 pm	* 5:40 am

Leave for Washington, Pa., *6:00 am, 12:30 pm, 5:45 pm, 11:35 pm, †3:50 pm, †4:10 pm, †5:15 pm, 10:30 pm, †6:30 pm, †10:30 pm.

Leave for Wheeling, †6:45 am, *8:20 am, 11:50 am, 12:30 pm, *6:15 pm.

Leave for Steubenville, *5:40 am, *8:25 am, *2:30 pm, †4:15 pm, †10:55 pm, 11:35 pm.

Leave for Denison, *5:40 am, *2:30 pm.

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RAILROADS.

BALTIMORE & OHIO RAILROAD.

(Eastern Standard Time.)
Leave station, Smithfield and Water Sts.:

LINES EAST.	Depart.	Arrive.
Cumberland Accom	* 6:30 am	* 9:15 pm
Connellsv. & Mt. Pleas	* 8:30 am	* 3:05 pm
Wash., Balto. & N. York	* 8:00 am	* 7:35 pm
Con'v., Un'tn & Fairm't	* 8:00 am	* 7:35 pm
Cumb., Wash. & Balto	* 1:00 pm	* 3:05 pm
West Newton Accom	* 10:00 am	* 5:00 pm
Conn'v., Un'tn, Morg'n	† 1:30 pm	†10:00 am
Connellsv. & Mt. Pleas	† 3:50 pm	†12:05 pm
Connellsville Accom	* 4:00 pm	† 5:05 pm
Morgantown, Clarksburg and Weston	† 5:00 pm	†12:50 pm
Philadelphia and New York (Duquesne Lim)	* 3:30 pm	* 9:15 pm
Wash., Balto. & Phila	* 10:00 pm	* 7:00 am
LINES WEST VIA WHEELING.		
Wash. (Pa. & Wheel. Ac.	* 7:05 am	*10:05 am
Col., Cin. & St. L. Exp	* 8:30 am	* 7:45 am
Wgh., Zanesv. & Col. Ac	* 1:00 pm	* 4:05 pm
Wash. (Pa.) and Wheel.	* 4:50 pm	* 6:00 pm
Col., Cin. & St. L. Exp	* 8:50 pm	* 7:45 pm
Wgh., Col. & C. Exp	*11:50 pm	
LINES WEST VIA AKRON.		
Cleve., Akron & Youngst.	* 7:30 am	* 8:18 pm
Chicago & Cleveland	* 3:30 pm	*12:35 pm
Chicago Limited	* 8:15 pm	* 7:40 am
(Leave P. & W. Station, Allegheny.)		
Butler	† 7:35 am	† 7:55 am
Butler, Foxburg	† 7:35 am	† 5:25 pm
Butler, Greenville & Erie	† 7:35 am	† 7:20 pm
Butler	† 10:45 am	† 12:50 pm
Butler, Greenville & Erie	† 1:15 pm	† 1:50 pm
Ellwood City	† 1:15 pm	† 6:30 am
Butler, Clarion & Greenv.	† 3:15 pm	†10:40 am
Ellwood N. Cast., Butler	† 5:30 pm	† 9:35 am
Butler	† 6:15 pm	† 5:25 pm
Butler	*11:30 pm	* 7:20 pm

*Daily. †Daily, except Sunday. ‡Saturday only.

PITTSBURGH & LAKE ERIE R. R.

CLEVELAND SHORT LINE.
Schedule in effect November 23, 1902.

Central Time.	Depart.	Arrive.
Chic. & Cleveland "Flyer"	* 7:00 am	*11:15 am
Youngs'n & Cleve'd Mail	* 8:25 am	* 5:10 pm
Buffalo & Erie Express	* 8:25 am	† 9:05 pm
Lake Chaut qua Fast Line	*12:50 pm	* 6:50 pm
Buffalo & Erie Express	* 4:20 pm	* 9:05 am
Cleveland & Chicago Ex	* 2:30 pm	* 1:50 pm
Boston Special	* 4:20 pm	* 6:05 am
Chic. & Cleveland "Flyer"	* 6:00 pm	*11:15 am
Buffalo & Cleveland Ex	*10:30 pm	* 9:05 am
Cland & Youngs'n Accom	† 5:25 am	† 9:00 am
Beaver Falls Accom	* 6:30 am	† 8:35 am
Beaver Falls Accom	* 8:30 am	† 9:30 am
Beaver Falls Accom	† 12:10 pm	† 2:30 pm
Beaver Falls Accom	† 3:50 pm	†12:30 pm
New Castle Express	* 4:20 pm	† 7:20 am
Beaver Valley Express	† 5:25 pm	† 4:15 pm
Fayette City Accom	*10:30 pm	† 2:05 am
Fayette C. & N. Haven Ex	† 8:00 am	* 8:00 am
McKeesp't & Fayette City	†11:50 am	†12:40 pm
Fayette City & N. Haven	† 3:30 pm	† 5:50 pm
Fayette City Express	† 4:20 pm	† 5:40 pm

†On Sunday from Cleveland only.
P. C. & Y. trains for Carnegie, Reading and Beechmont, †5:25 a. m., †10:15 a. m.
*Daily. †Daily, except Sunday.
‡Note—6:00 p. m. train on Sundays to Youngstown only.
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Pittsburgh, Pa.

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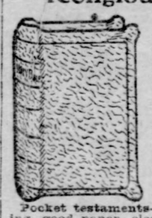

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A collection of the most famous words and melodies, with biographical sketch of authors and composers, fine cloth binding, published for $1.50, at **89c**

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Choice collection of new and popular recitations, readings, dialogues, etc., selected from the most celebrated authors—fully illustrated, good cloth binding, published for $1.25, at **69c**

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Xmas neckwear

AFTER all, a dainty piece of neckwear is more certain of being received with welcome by the fair sex than most anything you could think of.

Tailor-made bishop stocks

Are here in great abundance—dozens and dozens of novelties, many confined to us exclusively—taffeta, barathea or peau de soie—tailor stitched, hemstitched, lace trimmed or embroidered with bunches of grapes—each stock in a neat box—prices range from $2.75 down to **98c**

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Large lace collars—all the most attractive shapes for wear over waists, coats and jackets—real Irish crochet, very fine applique, grape design, stole front, epulet effects, etc., up to $13.50. Some beauties at 10.00, 7.50, 5.00 and down to **98c**

Persian Scarfs—those beautiful twilled liberty silk scarfs and squares, in rich Persian colorings—from 6.00 down to **1.59**

Collar and cuff sets—hand-made renaissance—exquisite patterns—per set, **75c**

Lace ties—no end of new and pretty styles, with Irish crochet and Venise lace ends—from 1.98 down to **75c**

Dainty neck ruffs

Add an indescribable charm of beauty and grace to any costume. Any woman will highly appreciate one on Xmas. We show all the most charming new styles—made of liberty silk with long flowing ends—black, or black and white combinations. Prices range up to $15.00, but there are many handsome ones at **3.50, 5.00 and 7.50**

Ostrich boas—a grand line—all rich, long, fluffy feathers—black, white, black and white mixed — 1½ yds. long — at 25.00, 18.00 and **15.00**

Xmas linens

OVER $25,000 worth of fine imported damask table sets, center pieces, pattern cloths, etc.—most appropriate for Christmas gifts.

Pattern cloths—a special lot—most pleasing patterns—2 to 3 yds. long—your choice at 4.00, 3.50, 2.50 and **2.00**

Double satin damask—double border—the latest and handsomest patterns—68 and 72 in. wide—the $2.00 grade for yd., **1.25**

Napkins to match, 4.50 doz.

Table covers—red and green fringed covers for the dining room table—

8-4 size, at 59c
10-4 size, at 69c

Memphis covers—6-4 size—best German make—at **1.50**

Children's wear

SAVE time and trouble and money, in a great many instances, by purchasing the little garments ready made.

Children's white aprons—over 50 of the newest styles, good materials, daintily made, prices 3.50 down to **25c**

Children's dresses—made of cashmere, lined throughout—in light or dark colors, plaids and stripes; 1 to 6 years; prices from 3.98 down to **50c**

Children's bonnets—velvet or crystal silk; large poque or tight-fitting styles; light and dark colors; sale price, **98c**

Children's leggings—nicely knitted from worsted or all-wool stockinette; all sizes; price, **50c**

Babies' bootees and babies' mittens; a large line; all colors and most wanted sizes; choice **10c**

Babies' moccasins or shoes—made from fine soft kid; light and flexible, in colors, **50c**

Babies' bibs—a large variety in several styles; different materials; prices range from 25c down to **3c**

Xmas suggestions in fancy china

NO matter how little or how much you want to spend, you certainly can find something in this vast stock to please you.

We save you fully 25% on cut glass

Stop puzzling your brains what to give her. Come in and look over our grand display of rich, sparkling cut glass, and you'll quickly make up your mind.

China plaques—a perfectly bewildering variety of beautiful plaques, up to $24.50. A special offer today of hand painted Limoges French china plaques, at the very low price of **98c**

Bowls—very pretty fancy china bowls and dishes—neatly decorated Japanese china—will prove a most welcome Christmas gift for women—the regular $2.50 ones today at **1.50**

Sugar and cream sets—fancy decorated Japanese china—some splendid values at 1.50, 98c, 59c and **48c**

Syrup jugs with plates—fancy decorated Japanese china—also marmalade jars with plates—$1.50 kind for **98c**

Hot cake dishes—with perforated covers — richest of Japanese decorations—choice for **1.98**

Smokers' sets—of fancy china, with appropriate decorations—choice per set, **59c**

Tobacco jars — fancy imported tobacco and cigar jars—just the gift for the men folks—from 3.87 down to **25c**

Pipe racks — quaint, unique shapes—from 3.87 down to **98c**

Hair receivers — a great variety of fancy imported china hair receivers—all neatly decorated — at 1.25, 98c, 75c, 68c, 48c and **25c**

Mayonnaise sets — richly decorated fancy imported china—from 1.48 down to **48c**

Pin trays — fancy decorated china pin trays for the dressing table at only **25c**

A dress pattern

OR a waist pattern—what woman wouldn't like one for Christmas?

Dress patterns of beautiful all-wool and silk and wool novelty suiting or plain fabrics—thousands and thousands to choose from—each pattern containing 6 to 8 yds., put up in fancy boxes, if you so desire—some splendid values at 5.98, 4.48, 3.48, 2.98 and **1.98**

Waist patterns—a grand showing of exclusive novelties in fancy mercerized vesting, wool or silk and wool French waisting, etc.; each in a fancy presentation box—choice for 1.88, 1.48 and **98c**

3 specials in silks

Louisine and taffeta satin striped plaids—for waists, children's dresses, fancywork, etc.—special at, yd., 1.00, 75c and **39c**

Jap silks—splendid 27-in. washable Jap silks, in 85 different shades—the extra heavy 75c kind for, yd., **49c**

Crepe de chine—1¼ yd. lengths of the 24-in. wide—just right for scarfs—choice, each, **89c**

Slippers

HAVE lost none of their old-time popularity for Christmas gifts.

Men's slippers—choice from 10 different styles of Men's French goat opera slippers—the $1.35 kind for only **1.00**

Men's genuine Alligator Slippers—tan and black—at **2.00**

Men's velvet and goat slippers—special value at **48c**

Women's holiday slippers—3 and 4 strap styles—in best patent kid—at **1.50**

Women's felt Juliets—fur trimmed—1.00 and **75c**

Children's leggings — in Jersey cloth, velvet and French goat—at 1.25 and **1.00**

Men's rubbers—the famous Goodyear glove fitting kind—all sizes—at **60c**

A general up-set in prices

OUR great women's coat and suit stocks are to be forcibly reduced—Extreme cuts in prices on all garments to make quick disposal is the command from the heads of the house. Stock books show we have exceeded the demand—inventory is close at our heels—new invoices of recent purchases are knocking at our back door for admittance—we've got to hustle surplus quantities out the front door. While you anticipate your Christmas purchases we'll see the profit marker go down, down, down—little left for us but to "break even"—

Box coats—a nice line of women's 27-in. box coats—beautifully strapped and lined throughout; reduced from $5.00 and $6.00 to **3.00**

Monte Carlo coats—nobby styles in kersey and cheviot—also lot of short jackets—black or colored—guaranteed satin lining—reduced from $9.00 and $10.00 to **5.98**

Velour jackets—very latest blouse style, trimmed with lace or with faced lapel and collar or finely stitched—ribbon belt—satin lined throughout—reduced from $10 and $12 to **7.98**

Silk coats—a splendid line of women's most fashionable peau de soie and taffeta Monte Carlo coats and kimonas—trimmed with beautiful ornaments and lined with satin—reduced from $15.00, $18.00 and $20.00 to **9.50**

Monte Carlo coats—a large showing of the latest mid-winter styles—27 and 30 in. long or jaunty short blouse style—made of all-wool kerseys—fancy trimmed, with or without cape effect, reduced from $15 and $18 to **10.00**

Extra fine coats—in exceedingly swell Monte Carlo, kimona, box style with cape, military effect, etc.—newest collarless effect—tucked or plaited back—handsomely trimmed with stitching and silk cord—black or colored—reduced from $21.00 and $23.00 to **13.50**

Very swellest coats—30, 42 and 46 in. long—in the most exquisite and charmingly beautiful Monte Carlo, kimona and jacket styles—with cape effect, collarless or with large storm collar—very finest satin lining—superbly stitched or silk cord trimmed—reduced from $35.00, $45.00 and $50.00 to **25.00**

Tailor-made jacket suits

Reduced from $15.00, $18.00, $20.00 and $22.00 to

9.85

They come in very nobby eton, Norfolk, blouse and regular jacket styles, with the latest plaited or satin fibre skirts—beautifully stitched or trimmed with silk bands—among them are also a large number of walking and rainy day suits, with the skirts long enough for dress wear—in medium weight kersey, melton, cheviot and snowflake materials—the skirts unlined and the jackets lined.

Very swell "tailor-mades"

Reduced from $35.00, $40.00, $45.00 and $50.00 to

25.00

A chance that no economically minded woman can afford to miss.

They're the swellest mid-winter costumes—every one made over taffeta silk lining or silk drop skirt — any fashionable style in cloth or velvet—any color or shade you want—plain tailor made or trimmed in the most artistic manner.

A sale that interests all men

WHAT is detrimental to the manufacturer often proves beneficial to the consumer. The great quarter million dollar clothing sale that started here Saturday is a case in point. The continued warm weather of last month left big surplus stocks on the hands of most of the clothing manufacturers. They naturally turned to the biggest retail stores of the country for relief—which in Pittsburgh means "The Big Store." We listened to their tale of woe, and picked out from the stocks of the best makers a round quarter million dollars' worth of clothing, for which we paid $162,500, or on an average basis of 65c on the dollar. And, as we always share our good luck with our patrons, this means that $87,500 goes into the pockets of the men of Pittsburgh. The following manufacturers:

Alfred Benjamin & Co. **Fechheimer-Fishel Co.**
A. Dinkelspiel Co. **M. Sampter & Sons**

Are among the makers who foot the loss on these goods. Every judge of clothing knows that the above named firms stand at the very top of the list of America's best manufacturing tailors, hence no wonder the sale started in Saturday so auspiciously, despite the inclement weather.

All the $8 and $10 suits and overcoats at 6.50

The suits come in fancy mixtures, cheviots and cassimeres, black thibets and cheviots, fancy worsteds, heavy weight blue serges, etc.—single and double-breasted.

The overcoats include tan covert cloth short coats—44-in. long overcoats, in black and blue kerseys, light and dark oxford meltons, etc.—48 and 50-in. oxford overcoats, with slash pockets—also 52-in. oxford rain coats, all-wool and strictly waterproof.

All the $12 to $15 suits and overcoats at 9.00

The suits can be had in the swell stiff front 2 and 3-button double-breasted and single-breasted styles—in plain and fancy weaves, rough cheviots, worsteds, fancy cassimeres, etc.

The overcoats embrace about everything that's fine and fashionable in both heavy and medium weights—all lengths from the short to the extra long—also Priestley's real "Cravenette" **rain coats**—"tip-top" garments that will please most any man.

All the $20 and $22 suits and overcoats at 14.00

The suits are made of the very choicest imported and domestic woolens—cut according to the very latest fashion plates, and fitting to perfection.

The overcoats are all that the most exacting dressers could desire—painstakingly carved out by artist cutters and put together by the most skilled journeymen tailors, with best satin and wool serge lining.

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NAME OF CANEVIN GOES TO POPE

The Propaganda Decides on Coadjutor Bishop of Pittsburgh.

QUIGLEY ALSO CHOSEN

Buffalo Clergyman Selected to Succeed the Late Archbishop Feehan of Chicago—Unusually Large Assemblage of Cardinals.

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

ROME, Dec. 15.—The congregation of the Propaganda today, on the recommendation of Cardinal Martinelli, decided to propose to the pope the appointment of the Rev. J. F. Regis Canevin, rector of St. Paul's cathedral of Pittsburgh, as coadjutor bishop of Pittsburgh.

There was an unusual assemblage of cardinals at the College of the Propaganda, to consider appointments. The prefect, Cardinal Gotti, presided.

The propaganda also decided to propose to the pope the appointment of Bishop James E. Quigley of Buffalo, N. Y., as archbishop of Chicago, in succession to the late Archbishop Feehan.

Father Canevin was met at the Union station last night as he returned from Cresson. He said all he knew of the mention of his name in connection with the coadjutorship was what he had read in the morning papers. The cablegram telling of his nomination by the propaganda was shown to him, but he had no comment to make. The fact that Bishop Shanahan had first refused the appointment to Harrisburg and had only accepted it after receiving a positive command from the pope, was alluded to in Father Canevin's hearing, but he only remarked when asked what he might do, that he could not speak of declining or accepting an appointment that had not yet been offered to him. Father Canevin said that he was grateful for the kind comments about him, and only wished he could say he deserved them.

There is no likelihood that Father Canevin will ask to be relieved from assuming the duties of the coadjutorship. It is well known that he is Bishop Richard Phelan's personal choice, so that respect for that prelate's wishes alone would prevent him from declining the call.

BLUFF DID NOT GO.

Saleswoman Saw Open Cash Drawer and Refused to Talk Gas Burners With Robber.

A Hebrew who refused to tell his name is a prisoner in the Tarentum lockup charged with the boldest robbery that ever occurred in that town. He was captured after a hot chase and in which half Tarentum's population took part.

He walked into the millinery store of Watterson & Montgomery yesterday afternoon, during the temporary absence of the young woman in charge of the sales department, and snatched $25 in bills from the money drawer. When the saleswoman returned he gracefully glided from the rear of the counter, and, doffing his hat, made an elaborate bow, announcing himself as an agent for a patent gas burner. He opened his satchel and proceeded to show his goods, but the young woman, seeing the open cash drawer, called loudly for help. The stranger dashed out of the building with the woman in pursuit.

Her cries brought willing pursuers from the crowded street and the thief was soon captured. When arraigned for a hearing he refused to talk and was held for court trial.

WRANGLED ALL DAY

Colored Organization of Citizens Party Have Long Battle Over Election of Chairman.

The colored organization of the Citizens party held its second annual convention in Nicholis hall, Fulton street, yesterday. It was a secret affair, and no one not vouched for could get past the doors. The proceedings began at 10 a. m. and at 6 p. m. the convention, having succeeded in electing a chairman, adjourned.

There were three candidates, H. A. Clay, who has been secretary; William A. Randolph and C. D. Shelton, of the Thirteenth ward. The delegates were in a continuous wrangle, but the three policemen on duty in the hall kept the turbulence down to mere words. When the Shelton people finally won out a committe on finance was named, and the convention adjourned at the call of the chair. It is the intention to meet after the Citizens candidate for recorder is named and indorse whoever that may be.

JURY OUT FORTY HOURS.

No Verdict Reached in Glass Company Suit Against Railroad.

GREENSBURG, PA., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—After being out over 40 hours, the jury in the case of the Penn Plate Glass Company of Pittsburgh against the Pennsylvania Railroad Company was unable to agree on a verdict and was discharged by Judge L. W. Doty this morning. The matter will now resolve itself into a rehearing.

The action was a repeal from the award of viewers appointed by the courts to determine the damages done by the railroad company in the laying of its four-track system through Irwin. Three years ago the Pennsylvania company decided on a change of grade at Irwin, and offered the glass company $15,000 for a strip of land. This the glass company refused to accept, asking $65,000. Viewers were appointed, but before their award was announced the plant of the glass company was burned. Under its right of eminent domain the railroad company seized the tract in dispute. The viewers afterwards fixed the damages at $115,000.

Received His Congé.

For conduct unbecoming an officer Alexander Blatchford, a policeman, was suspended last night by Superintendent of Police John McAleese. The officer was recommended for dismissal by the police board two months ago, but no action was taken by Director Leslie or Recorder Brown. Since that time Blatchford has been before the police board several times and made himself more disliked by arresting Policeman Samuel Sralovitz a few nights ago on a charge of disorderly conduct.

Prisoners Attempted to Escape.

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—A bold attempt at jail delivery occurred last midnight in the city prison, when Chief of Police Cyrus Horner was attacked by four prisoners as he was about to place a man in a cell. As Horner opened the cell door the four occupants of the cell rushed at him and grappled with him. Officers Spiers and Patterson heard the struggle and rushed in. The prisoners were somewhat injured in the scuffle, but the officers were not hurt.

Personal.

Mr. Wesley W. Wattles, formerly with Sheaffer & Lloyd, begs to inform his friends that he is now associated with the Hardy & Hayes Co., Nos. 212-216 Fifth avenue, where he will be pleased to see them and serve them as usual.

KAISER WILHELM'S COURSE CRITICISED

German-Americans of Pittsburgh Thinks He Is Dealing Harshly With Venezuela.

NOT AN ACT OF HEROISM

Firm Believers in the Monroe Doctrine Confident That the Allied Powers Have an Understanding With the U. S.

If Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany were to drop into some German-American clubs in Pittsburgh and Allegheny just at present, he would hear rather general denunciation of the course taken by his naval forces, in conjunction with those of Great Britain, in Venezuela.

While the fatherland has a place in the heart of every German-American, they are American citizens to the core, and in no particular more so than in approving the Monroe doctrine in its strictest interpretation. As a result, there is much discussion of the act of the German fleet in the Caribbean, in turning its guns on a weak and defenseless nation.

The Germans of Pittsburgh, almost as one man, say that such a course was beneath the dignity of the fatherland, any one of whose provinces could beat into submission a dozen Venezuelas. They are free in asserting that, while Germany and England have a right to collect just debts, no such extreme measures as have been adopted were necessary.

An Understanding Exists.

They are confident that an understanding existed between the allied nations and the United States, and that the action of the fleet will not be considered an infraction of the Monroe doctrine. At the same time, if it should be so considered at Washington, and armed conflict result between this nation and Germany, their stand would be taken on the side of the United States.

A book recently issued from the press of Doubleday, Page & Co., New YeYrk, by Wolf Von Schierbrand, manager of the Associated Press in Berlin, has had an extensive sale in this city, and its views of the future of the fatherland are accepted as gospel. Von Schierbrand's book is entitled "Germany," and in it the author avers that the prospects of German's growth and success point toward an alliance either with England or the United States. The mass of the German people are averse to an English brotherhood, and for that reason the executive officials of the kaiser's government see their salvation in showing the greatest respect and friendship toward Uncle Sam.

Collecting a Just Debt.

"Germany has no intention of overstepping the Monroe doctrine," said I. E. Hirsch. "In collecting a just debt by Germany this country will not interfere, and doubtless both governments have an understanding in the matter."

William F. Benkiser, manager of the foreign department of the First National bank, said:

"War in the Carribbean is to be deplored. In the event of hostilities foreign exchange will jump up instantly. American bankers have been watching the situation for some time, and it looks very much as though the time will soon be at hand to buy London exchange, in anticipation of the high rates which would be demanded. I do not think it was a wise move on the part of the powers to sink Castro's gunboats. At best they were not formidable antagonists and would have made good assets if captured and sold, toward insuring the debts owed the German citizens."

The Volksblatt, the leading German organ in Pittsburgh, in its leading editorial yesterday morning, made the following comment on the Venezuelan situation:

Unable to Resist.

"The bombardment of Porto Cabello by the allied powers of Germany and Great Britain was by no means an act of heroism. The fort was erected in the eighteenth century and was unable to offer any resistance, so that it was silenced after the short space of 45 minutes. The ramparts were then occupied by British marines. The motive for the bombardment was the punishment of the inhabitants of Porto Cabello, who had attacked and pillaged a British steamer and made prisoners of its crew.

"Satisfaction had been demanded of the Venezuelan government, but it came 15 minutes too late. It needs to be expressly stated that the British were the mischief makers in this affair, and that the Germans only helped them to take the chestnuts out of the fire. This fact should be clearly borne in mind, because the London newspapers, as well as some of our own (American) continually spread the impression that England is as docile as a lamb, and that Germany intends devouring Venezuela, bag and baggage.

France May be Interested.

"There are sinister motives behind these insinuations, which also seem to be fostered by France. Italy, on the other hand, is ready to co-operate with the two powers now acting in Venezuela. As before stated, the bombardment of Porto Cabello seems to us to have been hasty, and it has been already intimated by our government at Washington that the two participating powers must confine themselves within the limits of what, in international law, constitutes a peaceful blockade.

"Certain it is, however, that Germany and England have a complete understanding with the United States in their proceeding against stubborn Venezuela, and in the fact lies the surest guarantee of harmonious action."

JAILED IN RUSSIA.

Failure to Secure Passport Gets Finnish Pastor Into Trouble Abroad.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Some time ago Carl August Lindoss, a Finnish pastor at Ashtabula harbor, returned to Russia to visit. He forgot to take out his passport and as a result is now being held there. If he were not above the age limit he would be compelled to enter the army and it is feared the complications arising may send him to Siberia unless he can establish his American citizenship.

Friends in America are trying to get the government officials to take up the matter, but it seems that existing treaties do not cover a case like this.

ANDREW CARNEGIE'S GIFT.

Little Margaret Carnegie Will Have a Pretty Full Stocking Xmas Morning.

Andrew Carnegie will place the deeds for a mansion worth $5,000,000 in his little daughter's stocking for a Christmas gift. There are but few men in the world that could do that, but in these prosperous times almost every father can start his children on the road to wealth by depositing a few dollars in the Pennsylvania Trust Company, 410 Smithfield street, where savings earn 4 per cent interest, and their safety is assured by a capital and surplus of over $800,000.00. You can send deposits by mail. Write for the booklet.

Fine Fall Trouserings.

New designs. Exclusive patterns. PITCAIRN'S, 434 Wood Street.

BISHOP TALBOT A STAR WITNESS

He Admitted Writing That Dr. Irvine Was a "Slimy" Fellow.

COURT HEARD DEFENSE

Testimony in Conspiracy Trial at Huntingdon Was That the Deposed Rector Used Improper Language to Women.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

HUNTINGDON, PA., Dec. 15.—The trial of the conspiracy charge brought by Dr. I. N. W. Irvine, the deposed rector of St. John's church, of this place, against Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Elliot was resumed this afternoon with Bishop Talbot on the stand. The bishop acknowledged that he had written the letter to Mrs. Elliot in which he characteried Dr. Irvine as being a "slimy" fellow, and advising Mrs. Elliot to have him convicted in a court of record so that he (the bishop) could unfrock him. The presentment to the court covering the evidence at the ecclesiastical court of inquiry was virtually as follows:

"The language which he was shown to have used to women was much of it unfit to be printed in a reputable paper," and that notwithstanding he was a married man he freely used improper language and gestures, and that he scandalized religion and was convicted of holding moneys due to the church.

The bishop was the star witness this afternoon for the defense. His counsel was willing to have him cross-examined. The alleged forged letter written in Mrs. Elliot's name to the bishop was admitted as evidence. The letter purported to be a retraction of Mrs. Elliot's desire to have Dr. Irvine ousted from the church. After strenuous skirmishing the defense rested its case. Rebuttal for the plaintiff was immediately taken up, but nothing of particular importance was elicited.

A motion by the defense will be made tomorrow to have the court instruct the jury to bring in a peremptory verdict for the defendants.

POSTAL CLERK ARRESTED.

Albert Lawrence Accused of Embezzling Fifty-One Letters—Runs from Pittsburgh to Buffalo.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 15.—Albert Lawrence, a railway postal clerk running between Buffalo and Pittsburgh, was arrested here today charged with embezzling 51 letters. He was held in $2,000 bail for further examination.

Albert Lawrence is well-known to the hundreds of postal clerks who make the dormitory in the federal building their headquarters while they are in Pittsburgh. Lawrence left here at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon on his run to Buffalo. R. C. Whaling, a postal clerk running between Pittsburgh and Rochester, N. Y., said last night:

"I have known Lawrence since he entered the railway mail service seven years ago at Johnsonburg, Pa. He is about 30 years old and has always been an enterprising and ambitious young fellow. I cannot believe that he is guitty of the charge."

Lawrence is married and lives at No. 97 Seventeenth street, Buffalo.

RAISE ON B. & O.

President Loree's Brother Succeeds Carothers as Superintendent of Chicago Division.

BALTIMORE, MD., Dec. 15.—Baltimore & Ohio officials, representing all departments and divisions of the system, began a conference here today looking to a general increase in wages of employes. It will probably be continued several days, as each class of employes will be considered in the proposed changes. Nearly 50,000 employes are concerned.

It was officially announced at Baltimore & Ohio general offices today that the position of superintendent of the Chicago division, made vacant by the promotion of R. S. Carothers to be general superintendent of the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern, will be filled by W. O. Loree, brother of President Loree. The new official has been a superintendent of the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburgh, with headquarters at Columbus, O.

Enameled Brick Plants Burned.

GREENSBURG, PA., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The plant of the United States Enameled Brick Company, on the Conemaugh river opposite Bolivar, was destroyed by fire this morning, causing a loss of $40,000, upon which there was only partial insurance. The Reese-Hammond Fire Brick Company of Bollvar is one of the largest stockholders in the concern.

Ex-Minister Hirsch Dead.

PORTLAND, ORE., Dec. 15.—Sol Hirsch, ex-United States minister to Turkey, died at his home here today. Mr. Hirsch was appointed minister to Turkey by President Harrison in 1889, but resigned after serving less than three years.

DEBS CASE RULES ARE OBJECTED TO

Attorneys for Railroads Are Fighting Injunction Against Discrimination in Rates.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Argument for temporary injunction restraining 14 railroads from cutting rates in violation of the Sherman and interstate commerce acts was begun in the United States circuit court of appeals today, Judge Grosscup of Chicago and Judge Philips of Kansas City sitting en banc.

Eight of the cases were brought before Judge Philips on March 24, when a bill was presented by the government at the instance of the interstate commerce commission, and a temporary restraining order entered without argument. A similar bill was brought before Judge Grosscup against the other six roads, and a like order entered. The roads reserved the right to reopen the cases, which is now being done.

The railroads against which the injunction is asked are: Michigan Central Pittsburgh & Fort Wayne; Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis; Lake Shore & Michigan Southern; Illinois Central; Chicago & Northwestern; Chicago & Alton; Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul; Chicago Great Western; Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe; Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific; Chicago, Burlington & Quincy; Missouri Pacific, and Wabash.

The decision in the Debs case was frequently referred to in the arguments by counsel for both sides. Mr. Dickinson declared that the ruilngs made in that case were extraordinary and suited to an extraordinary crisis, but he insisted that the application of the decision should not be made commonplace.

Summoned to Manila.

MANILA, Dec. 15.—The court-martial which is to try Maj. Edwin F. Glenn of the Fifth Infantry, has decided to summon Gens. Chaffee and Smith from the United States to testify as to orders given during the conduct of the campaign on the island of Samar and to the character of the campaign waged there.

Capt. Oakes Fined $300.

BEAVER, PA., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Capt. Robert Oakes was sentenced today in the Beaver county court. He was charged with felonious shooting and his trial came up last week. He will have to pay the cost of prosecution and a fine of $300. Capt. Oakes had nothing to say about the sentence.

DIED.

SMIT—On Tuesday, December 16, 1902, at 1 a. m., at her home, No. 114 Graham street, East End, MRS. KATE SMIT, aged 68 years.

Notice of funeral later.

LAURA BIGGAR'S TRIAL WILL BEGIN TODAY

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Miss Laura Biggar, Dr. C. C. Hendricks of Syracuse, and former Justice of the Peace Stanton of Hoboken will be placed on trial at Freehold today in connection with the alleged conspiracy in the Henry M. Bennett will case.

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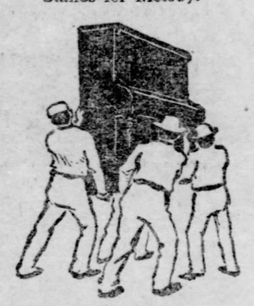

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SAMPLE SLIPPERS Eighteen Hundred Pairs Mens and Womens Sample Slippers will be on sale the present week at just about ONE-HALF actual value. This is one of the greatest of all Slipper bargains—if your size is here—and it more than likely is—the assortment is large—see these sample goods—

See Our Windows at Both Stores—they suggest the possibilities of our great stock.

Our mail Order Department is prepared to give prompt attention to all orders.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Beginning next Thursday, the 18th of the month we will keep the store open evenings until Christmas, solely as an accommodation to belated shoppers. It is well known that we are not believers in night store-keeping, and we desire to impress upon all that we do so at this season simply as courtesy.

We again desire to impress upon the thousands of people who are now avai ing themselves of our Restaurant for the noonday lunch that all who can do so will find it much more comfortable, the service more satisfactory, if they can be in the Restaurant between, say, 11:30 and 12 noon. We very much regret that the seating capacity of our Restaurant does not meet the demand upon it between 12 noon and 1:30 p. m.

Owing to the demand on the main elevators we have been compelled to discontinue the one that was used as an express to the Dining Room from 11:30 to 1:30. The Express Elevator during these hours now runs from the rear of the Men's Store. People desiring to go straight through to the Restaurant will please remember this.

Our Delivery System is now as perfect as careful attention can make it, but for the satisfaction of all we request the utmost care in giving the address on packages to be delivered. We desire to bring the percentages of errors down to a minimum, and you can help us very materially by being particular about the correct address.

The Christmas Crowd That Was Here Yesterday,

notwithstanding the ugly weather, verifies our private opinion that this season is going to be the liveliest and the greatest Christmas season that Pittsburg generally, and this store particularly, has ever seen.

Many people lose sight of the rapid growth of this wonderful city. We don't. We watch it closely. We know that hundreds of families locate in Greater Pittsburg every month. It is natural for them to inquire for the leading store. It is just as natural for the party answering the question to speak of this store first. Thus you have one of the numerous reasons for the great inflow that we are enjoying at the present time. We are fortunate in having a roomy store; we are fortunate in having, by at least twice over, the largest variety of Christmas goods; we are fortunate in having experienced and expert salespeople to wait upon the thousands and thousands who come to this store daily, and in saying this you have the pith of Christmas news, just as much so as were we to give you two whole pages of this paper.

For today we simply ask your attention to some things that are especially important for you to know.

Christmas Trees.

From the Pine Woods of Vermont.

Genuine balsam pine—quite a range of different sizes and the Trees much lower in price than is usually charged.

Any Tree bought will be delivered anywhere our delivery system reaches, any time up to the evening of December 24.

Following is the price range for the Trees alone, and Trees with stands.

On sale on sixth floor.

	Without Stands.	With Stands.
4 to 6 feet high	$ .35	$ .60
6 to 8 feet high	$ .50	$ .75
8 to 10 feet high	$ .75	$1.00
10 to 12 feet high	$1.25	$1.50
12 to 14 feet high	$2.50	$2.75

Rare Objects of Art
New Suggestions for Xmas Gifts
Collected for Inspection in Decorative Studios on Fifth Floor.

Single pieces in carved ivory and wood combined, direct from Paris.
Curious groups in bronzes and silver from Japan.
Reading Lamps copied from Pompeiian forms.
Screens in carved wood and hand-tooled leathers.
Dainty Chairs for Drawing room and boudoir, copies from the French and English schools of design.
Fine examples of Grandfather Clocks, with and without chimes.
Unique portable five o'clock tea tables, inlaid mahogany and plate glass.

Empire Novelties From Paris

On the 2d floor, immediately in front of elevator entrances, is a table filled with many things of utility in the style of Louis XIV.—wooden frames covered with artistic tapestry—the collection being made up of

Work Baskets, Trinket Boxes, Pin Trays, Sewing Tables, Writing Tablets, Glove Boxes, Handkerchief Boxes, etc.

A singular thing about this ware is that New York art stores send representatives here every year, and we have been told by women who patronize the day-or-so exhibits that our collection surpasses anything ever brought to Pittsburg, besides being far less expensive. These were personally selected on Rue de Capucines, Paris, and no other store in the Greater City has anything like them.

Suggestions for Gifts to Young Men.

Everything in the list below will be found in the Furniture Department of the 5th floor. It is one of the best suggestion lists for people who desire to give something neat to a young man, that we have yet given:

Pipe Racks, from $1.25 to $5.
Smoking Sets, from $1.25 to $15.
Cigar Ash Receivers, from 50c to $5.
French Needle Guns, for wall decorations, $2.50.
Leather Covered Pillows, burnt and painted, $5 to $12.
Sofa Pillows, covered in tapestry and damask, $2, $4 and $6.
Tables and Taborets, with covers, $8 to $35.
Shaving Stands, $5.50 to $45.
Bachelor's Chiffoniers, $20 to $165.
Arm Chairs for dens, $6.50, $10 and up.
Morris Chairs, $10 and up.
Burnt Leather Shaving Paper Cases, 40c.
Burnt Leather Laundry List Covers, 40c.

Among the Bric-a-Brac.

We know very well that Bric-a-Brac often has a high-price sound, but really anyone thinking that the prices are at all out of their reach labor under a great mistake.

Our 3rd floor Bric-a-Brac Department is full of the prettiest and quaintly novel conceits from, literally, every country under the sun, and they are, to a large extent, quite inexpensive.

Any person who doesn't "just know what to give," is invited to this 3rd floor for just a look.

The inexpensive suggestions that will pop up may help to solve the gift puzzle.

Fine Furs at Special Prices.

Every Jacket at a new and low price.
Every garment of unsurpassed excellence.

Very special prices in the following high grade Furs will afford special inducements for the many who will supply their Fur needs this week, to become acquainted with the wonderful advantages our Fur Store offers—advantages in the price range in each line, in the wide variety of different kinds at each price, and advantages in excellent qualities and in perfect workmanship.

It will be a pleasure to select from these magnificent assortments, and the purchaser will need no assurance that the selection will give unmeasured satisfaction.

The items we have brought forward for this special sale are in no way representative of our entire stock, the divisions being filled with many thousands of fine Furs in which all the most favored styles are represented. While the prices are special, every garment is of a recent style and the quality is of unquestioned dependability.

$45 —$50 regularly—Near-seal Coat, half form fitting, top collar and revers of Beaver, full sleeves with cuffs of Beaver. Satin lining.

$65 — special — Nearseal Jacket—blouse front, top collar and revers of Blended Mink, latest style sleeves with flare cuffs of blended Mink, lined with satin brocade.

$65 — special — Nearseal Jacket, blouse front, top collar and revers of Chinchilla, latest style sleeves with Chinchilla cuffs, ribbon belt, steel buckle, lined with fancy brocade lining.

$75 —$90 regularly—Near-seal Blouse, long front, top collar and revers of Ermine, full sleeves, brocade satin lining, ribbon belt with steel buckle.

$135 — $150 regularly — Persian Lamb Coats—top collar and revers of Chinchilla, full sleeves with flare cuffs of Chinchilla, brocade satin lining.

$185 — $200 regularly — Persian Lamb Coats, half-form fitting, top collar and revers of Chinchilla, sleeves trimmed with Chinchilla, brocade satin lining.

$200 — $235 regularly — Sealskin short Jacket, half-form fitting, top collar and wide revers of Baum Marten, new sleeves, fancy brocade lining.

$300 — regularly $340 — Persian Blouses, long front, top collar and revers of Baum Marten, full sleeves with cuffs of Baum Marten, fancy brocade lining.

$400 — regularly $450 — handsome Coats of Broadtail, top collar, vest and cuffs of Chinchilla, latest style sleeves, blouse front ornamented with Rhinestone buttons, lined with white satin brocade.

$7.50 —Sable Fox Boas of a single skin—two brush tails, four claws.

$17.50 —extra fine quality Isabella Fox Boas, finished with large brush tails and paws.

$20 —Blue Lynx Cluster Scarfs, decorated with claws and tails, best Leipsig dye.

$20 —long Black Fox Boas, finished with large brush tails.

$22.50 —extra fine quality Sable Fox Double Boas finished with large brush tails.

$25 —fine long Boas of Sable Fox, two skins employed in the making, large brush tails, four skins.

$30 —Blue Lynx Boas finished with large tails, Leipsig dye.

$30 — long Pelerine of Squirrel with deep tabs ending in Fur ruffle. Handsome cut steel buckle.

$35 —extra fine quality of Isabella Fox Double Boas, finished with brush tails.

$40 —long Black Lynx flat Stoles, finished with large brush tails.

$200 —handsome Capes, 30 inches long, of dark Natural Mink. This Cape shows the new method of working up Mink. Lining of brown satin.

$250 — $300 regularly — extra fine quality of Persian Lamb Cape, 36 inches long—black satin lining.

$350 — $375 regularly — Alaska Seal Capes, something extra fine—40 inches long—brown satin lining.

Model Coats and Dresses

At Greatly Reduced Prices.

These models have been used through the season in our Special Order Dressmaking Department. They have served their purpose—served it well. We are now through with them.

Today they will be on display in the Millinery Parlors of the 3rd floor, and you can buy them for very much less than what such handsome models usually sell for.

For Holiday Gifts.

Just a few hints—

Large variety of Black Silks.
Large variety of Colored Silks.
Large variety of Black Dress Goods.
Large variety of Colored Dress Goods.
Large variety of Cotton Waist Cloths.
Large variety of Wool Waist Cloths.

Splendid colors and the most dependable of fabrics.

And the very lowest of prices.

Boxed for your convenience.

PENN AND FIFTH.

American League Promoters Will Fight for Franchise

Basketball Season Has Taken a Fine Start

ARE STILL SURE OF FRANCHISE

Local American League Promoters Continue to Work.

AFTER THE PHILLIES

The peace movement entered into between the leaders of the National and American leagues in New York last week does not appear to have any frightening effect on the local American league promoters who think they still have a good chance to secure a franchise and place an opposition team here.

The fact that Charles J. Somers, vice president of the American league, was so emphatic in his declarations favoring Pittsburgh as a site for an American league team, has raised the hopes of the local promoters and they are going to push their claims to the limit. It was expected that either Johnson or Somers would stop off here on route home from the east, but they failed to do so. Today Charles J. Polder, the leader of the local syndicate, will go over to Cleveland and call on Mr. Somers to find out just how matters stand.

An Associated Press telegram from Cleveland says: "Messrs. Somers and Kilfoyle, the Cleveland baseball magnates, returned today from New York, where negotiations for peace between the two leagues were commenced last week.

"The prospects for reaching an amicable working arrangement between the two organizations, at the coming conference,' said Mr. Kilfoyle, 'is very bright. The playing schedule of the National league will almost certainly be revised in order to avoid conflicting dates. All litigation and controversy over players will be dropped. The American league has never signed a player who had a bona fide contract with the National league. As a result, we will not be required to return a single player.

"On the other hand every contract with our players will be carried out, regardless of the salary involved."

Contrary to expectations President Dreyfuss, of the local club, failed to arrive home from the east yesterday, but is due home today. It is thought that the President stopped off in Philadelphia in order to have a talk with Messrs. Reach and Rogers regarding the sale of their franchise and players. This move on the part of President Dreyfuss is not new to the readers of The Gazette, as the fact that he was dickering for the Philadelphia club was published in these columns over a month ago, and it was stated at the time that the Pittsburgher was acting in the interest of friends who have money to invest in baseball.

A special from Chicago says: President James A. Hart of the Chicago league ball club returned home from the annual convention of the National league in New York and expressed satisfaction at the moves made for peace between the big leagues and declared pleasure at election of Harry Pulliam as president of the National.

The election of Pulliam was a particular satisfaction to the local magnate, who has for some time advocated the elevation of the young Kentuckian. Hart advised the election of a president and the abolition of the executive committee before he left Chicago, but believed that as president, if elected, he would receive a unanimous vote. His wishes in this particular were carried out to the letter.

"I presume the first session of the peace committees will be held early next year. None of the committees had a proposition that will take a little time, as the American league sat for their league.

"Naturally, it will take several sessions to bring matters to a head, unless it should be shown at the first session that there is no possible chance of the two committees coming to an agreement. Possibly the session will be held in Chicago. The National league second has extended a cordial welcome to western men and Chicago would certainly suit me.

"Personally I would say that the question of players—that is those players who already have signed—would be the last consideration in plans of peace. If we start a discussion of that subject we will get tangled at the start. I don't know whether the National league schedule will stand as framed. That will depend somewhat upon the peace conference.

"Our committee is, of course, not empowered to do anything that will affect the property rights of any members of the league, but its recommendations will be sufficiently moderate to be acceptable. It will take time to bring about results. After the conferences meet it is likely that another National league meeting will be called, and I presume the American league will not decide so important a matter without a meeting of its own."

CRUSHED THE CADETS.

Railroad Basketball Team Got an Easy Victory.

The Railroad Juniors last night defeated the St. Matthew Cadets of Homestead in a fine game by the score of 28 to 3. The railroad boys took the lead in the beginning of the game and not once did the cadets get ahead. The feature of the game was the excellent goal throwing of Tannehill and Stewart. The railroad boys showed fine team work in both halves.

A preliminary game was played by the Railroad Midgets and the Titlmore A. C., which was won by the Midgets by the score of 26 to 2. A large crowd turned out to see the games and the rooters for both did fine work, cheering the boys throughout the game. Some fine plays by the cadets also received great applause. The score and lineup:

Railroad Juniors. St. Matthew Cadets.
Tannehill ..... Forward ..... Bissell
Calhoun ..... Forward ..... McArthur
McIntyre ..... Center ..... Worley
Stewart ..... Guard ..... Hoffmann
Gillespie ..... Guard ..... Watson

Goals from field—Calhoun (6), Tannehill (4), Stewart (6), Worley. Goals from foul—Watson. Referee—Mueller. Scorer—Fairman. Timekeeper—Lahugh.

SENSATIONAL POOL PLAY.

Champion Eby Defeated Cowboy in First Game of Series.

After one of the most sensational pool games ever played in Pittsburgh, Grant Eby, the world's champion pool player, defeated Charles Weston, the cowboy champion, at the World's Fair pool room, in East Liberty, last night by a score of 100 to 68.

Weston got away in the lead by some fine playing. When the score was 45 to 36 he looked a walkover for him to come out ahead in the first night's play, but Eby at this point pulled together and ran 54 points and out without a miss. The large crowd went wild with enthusiasm. Eby and Weston are now playing a match for $250 a side, 600 points, 100 points each night. Score by innings:

Eby ..15, 7, 15, 2, 15, 8, 1, 0, 6, 3, 0, 3, 15, 15—100.
Weston ..5, 0, 13, 0, 6, 13, 15, 9, 18, 15, 10, 0, 0, 0—68.

Scratches—Eby 5, Weston 4.

TROLLEY LINE LEAGUE.

Youngstown Is Bound to Have Baseball.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 15.—Failing of the organization of a league which will include the larger of the small cities of Ohio and Pennsylvania, a league will be organized out of Youngstown, the principal cities along the trolley line system which centers here. The towns which would be included in the league take in Youngstown, New Castle, Sharon, Warren, Niles, Girard and possibly Hubbard.

All of these towns are reached from Youngstown within an hour's time, and the patronage to such a league, it is figured, would be great. It is figured that baseball would pay in this city and in other surroundings here, and it is determined that Youngstown shall have some brand of the national game next season. Last season, with a city league, the games were well patronized, and the league came out with a neat sum on the right side of the ledger.

WILL GO TO EUROPE.

George Leander Signs to Ride His Bike in Paris.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—George Leander, a member of the winning team in the six-day cycle race in Madison Square garden last week, has signed a contract with Robert Coquelle, one of the managers of the Buffalo track at Paris, to race on that course in the spring.

Leander will compete in two sprint races, one with Jacquelin on May 15, and the other with Henri Meyers on May 27.

High School Seconds' Victory.

The Pittsburgh High school second basketball team easily defeated the Lincolns of Allegheny by a score of 14 to 3.

High school, R. F. Munroe, L. F. Sleeth, C. Fleming, R. C. Stewart, L. C. Vincent. Lincoln, Trauerman, Weller, Strassburger, Kam, Wolf.

Substitutes—Dowling, Lytle, Orr. Goals—Trauerman, Munroe (3), Sleeth, Fleming, Stewart, Vincent. From foul—Weller.

MANY FINE FIGHTERS SEEKING A CHANCE

Winner of Ferns-Mathews Contest Will Find Many Anxious for Battle.

The Ferns and Mathews ten-round contest, which takes place in Allegheny next Monday night, is creating quite an interest all over the country, and the leading welterweights of the country are sending challenges to meet the winner. The latest are from Hugh McWinters, Jimmie Handler and Patsy Sweeny of Boston. McWinters and Sweeny have fought 20-round draws with Mathews.

If Ferns wins his manager writes he will meet any white welterweight in the world. Ferns' manager writes Mathews will likely be the favorite over the Rube, and that he will have quite a bunch to bet that Ferns will get the decision. Manager Corcoran would like to get some good boy to meet Henry Brown at Hio, as a preliminary. Brown and Brogan put up a good contest at the last show. Brown is not particular who he meets.

Eddie Kennedy and Billy Corcoran with a delegation of Pittsburghers will leave tomorrow for Cumberland, Md., where the local boxer meets Chris Hemmler on Thursday night in a 10-round contest. Hemmler being the heaviest man is the favorite in the betting. If Kennedy wins he will try and get on with the winner of Ferns-Mathews contest next Monday night. Kennedy and his friends think in a longer contest he can defeat the Brooklyn boy.

The fight between Jack McClelland and Eddie Toy of San Francisco, which will take place before the Nonpareil club of Allegheny on Friday night, December 19, will bring together two men who are topnotchers in their class. This match will be the first in which McClelland has appeared in Pittsburgh for more than a year, and it will give his friends here an opportunity to see how much he has improved in that time, and also see him up against a good man. The bout will be one of the greatest treats for the followers of the boxing game that has been seen in this vicinity for a long time.

Toy left St. Louis with his manager last night and will arrive in Pittsburgh some time today. He will at once go into training with Frank Sutton of St. Louis, and will do some hard work to get into condition for the fight. McClelland will not reach Pittsburgh until later in the week. The two preliminary bouts of six rounds each on Friday night will furnish good sport.

THE INGLESIDE RACES.

Horses Ran on a Track That Was Very Slow.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—Weather cloudy; track slow at the Ingleside today.

First race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—Quatre, 107, Burns, 3 to 1, won; Sir Preston, 102, Connell, 4 to 1, second; Ripper, 102, Hewitt, 25 to 1, third. Time, 1:71. Distrust, Bordermark, Rodana, Somenosa, John F. Finnerty also ran.

Second race, 6 furlongs, selling—Maggie Fox, 102, Waldo, 3 to 1, won; Hand Press, 112, Burns, 5 to 2, second; Silver Spray, 107, Birkenruh, 12 to 1 third. Time, 1:18. Rud Hynicka, Montana, Peeress, Nora, St. Rica also ran.

Third race, futurity course—Irideus, 107, Burns, 7 to 5, won; The Fwil, 107, Minder, 12 to 1, second; Deutschland, 107; Waldo, 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:14. Jockey Club, Iras, Auntie, Blue Miracle also ran.

Fourth race, mile and 100 yards, selling—Constable, 107, Ransch, 6 to 1, won; Fulmister, 111, Milder, 4 to 1, second; Reaper, 114, J. Daly, 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:53½. Brissac, Alado, Bothos, Diomed, Rosarie, Phil Archibald, Gold Ore, Dan Fisherman also ran.

Fifth race, 6 furlongs, selling—Sadi Sam, 117, Burns, 7 to 10, won; Botany, 97, J. Daly, 7 to 1, second; Ned Dennis, 109, Minder, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:16⅘. Mildred Schutz, St. Severe, Rollick also ran.

Sixth race, mile, selling—Eva G., 96, Reed, 5 to 1, won; Dunblane, 110, Burns, 5 to 1, second; Burgo, 109, Minder, 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:14. Urchin, Graf, Stuyve also ran.

Entries for Limorrow:

First race, futurity course, selling—Katherine Ennis, 105; Ruble, 102; Jack Richelieu, Jr., 105; Victor, Tom Bolon, Bert Bandle, 107; Ellsie, 111; Vohleer, 108; Ed Lilburn, 94; Legal Maxim, 102 Golda, 86; Bogus Bill, 108; Sam Lagarus Easy, 108.

Second race, 6 furlongs, selling—Kermit, 104; Inaugurator, 104; Rasp, 104; Lindo, 100; Discovery, 107; Macana, 99; Racivo, 95; Sleeping Child, 104; Sterling, 102; Ali About, 104.

Third race, futurity course, selling—Mr. Dingle, 94; Step Around, 90; Bucelle, 91; Jim Gore II., 112; Ora Viva, 89; Hutch Miller, 94; Amasa, 105; St. Phillippina, 105; Montoya, 102; Golden Cottage, 108; Onyx II., 91; Jim Brownell, 105.

Fourth race, 13-16 mile handicap—Kenilworth, 132; Corrigan, 119; Veauvian, 117; Flush of Gold, 100; The Fretter, 116; Illowaho, 108.

Fifth race, mile and 70 yards, selling—Antolee, 111; Expedient, 111; Ignacio, 110; Plaloming, 107; Phil Knight, 106; Prance Along, 106; Bessie McCarthy, 102; Galandine, 108.

Sixth race, 6 furlongs—Laura F. M., 107; Polonius, 110; Araby, 109; Gold Van, 110; Gaviota, 107; Lady Powell, 112.

WILL BE WARM GAME.

Keystones and Bankers Sevens Meet Tonight—New Stars Will Be on Ice.

Last year's champion hockey team, the Keystones, and the Bankers will meet at Duquesne garden tonight for their first game of the season. Manager W. A. Thompson expects to have his new "find," Fred Lake of Winnepeg, in the game. Lake will play forward and this will be his first appearance in this city. He started from Winnepeg Saturday and should arrive in Pittsburgh today. A hot contest between the champions of last season and Mr. Mechler's crowd is expected.

Manager J. W. Conant of the garden yesterday received a letter from J. T. Sutherland, manager of the Frontenacs of Kingston, accepting Manager W. A. Hall's 8 and 9 as the dates for their appearance at Duquesne garden, when they will play all the Western Pennsylvania league teams. Mr. Sutherland assures Pittsburghers some of the fastest hockey ever seen here.

Beginning next Monday the garden will have a special two weeks' holiday session every forenoon. All present forenoon sessions are held only on Saturdays, except on days when private skating parties have the exclusive use of the rink. Following is the lineup for tonight's game:

Keystone.	Position.	Bankers.
Hern	Goal	Richardson
Gordon	Point	Morphy
Bish	Cover Point	Physmister
Sendry	Center	Campbell
Lake	Forward	Stuart
Hill	Right Wing	Willett
Sweitzer	Left Wing	Howard

JUDGMENT FOR PLAYERS.

Football Cases Will Now Be Tried in Court.

Alderman J. V. McMasters yesterday awarded judgment to John Lang, C. A. Schouts, M. P. McNulty and other players on the Pittsburgh football team in their suit against W. C. Temple and David J. Berry for alleged wages due them.

This suit was the outcome of the recent football season, and Mr. Temple's name was mixed in it through his attaching the Thanksgiving day gate receipts in order to save for himself the real estate part. Mr. Temple's attorney, C. S. Crawford, at once took an appeal from the judgment and the case will therefore be tried out in court. Mr. Temple cannot understand why judgment should be given against him as there was not the slightest testimony to show that he had any connection whatever with the football team.

Tarentum's Team Shut Out.

The Tarentum Y. M. C. A. Juniors journeyed to Sharpsburg yesterday to play the Sharpsburg Y. M. C. A. Juniors a game of basketball, and was defeated by a score of 33 to 0. The Sharpsburg boys put up a fine game and did not allow the visitors to score a goal. A game was to have been played between the Sharpsburg first team and the Tarentum first team, but through some misunderstanding only the Junior team came from Tarentum so the game was called off. The line up in the game was as follows:

Sharpsburg Jrs.		Tarentum Jrs.
Irwin	Forward	Hutchinson
Naughton	Forward	Wilson
Rossi	Center	Biehl
Beatty	Guard	Manbeck
Graham	Guard	Craig

Field goals—Irwin 6, Naughton 2, Rossi 3, Graham 2, Beatty 1. Referee—Powers.

Jenkins Wins from McInerney.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 15.—Tom Jenkins won the first and third falls from Tom McInerney tonight. The first fall was won by Jenkins in 31 minutes, by a double Nelson; the second by McInerney in two minutes, by a half Nelson, and the third by Jenkins in nine minutes with a half Nelson hold. McInerney was the aggressor during most of the contest.

JONAS HALL,
Who Plays a Good Game at Goal for Shadyside Seven.

RACED IN RAIN AT NEW ORLEANS

John Peters Was Only Winning Favorite of the Day.

TRACK WAS SLOW

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 15.—John Peters was the only winning favorite today. Weather rainy; track slow.

First race, 6 furlongs—Meran, 109, Donnegan, 20 to 1, won; Major Tenny, 109, W. Murphy, 20 to 1, second; Oronte, 103, Hoar, 11 to 5, third. Time, 1:22. Sailing Light, Shot Proof, Sleepy Head, Uranium, Pageant, John Carney and Piquancy ran.

Second race, selling, mile—Shanklin Field, 104, Hoar, 8 to 1, won; Optimo, 102, Hicks, 4 to 1, second; Atheola, 101, Michaels, 13 to 2, third. Time, 1:49. Worthington and Light Hunt ran.

Third race, selling, six and one-half furlongs—The Caxton, 103, Gannon, 6 to 1, won; Tom Kingsley, 97, Hicks, 15 to 1, second; Lord Neville, 106, C. Alley, 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:29.

Fourth race, seven furlongs—John Peters, 117, Gannon, even, won; W. J. Debos, 107, Otis, 4 to 1, second; Schoolmate, 105, O'Neill, 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:34 3-5. Glennevis and Death ran.

Fifth race, selling, six and one-half furlongs—Harry Williams, 107, Hicks, 7 to 1, won; Dorskin, 103, Treanor, 10 to 1, second; Alpacn, 100, McCafferty, 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:35. Brown Vail, St. Tammany and Husselton ran. Pierce J. was cut off and pulled out.

Sixth race, selling, mile and a sixteenth—Flaneur, 97, D. Gilmore, won; Shut Up, 102, Heigerson, 7 to 2, second; Joe Doughty, 105, Leliance, 20 to 1, third. Time, 1:48. Banish, Hertha, Eliza Dillon and Mirando ran.

The following are the entries for tomorrow:

First race, selling, the furlongs—Longue, 111; Marco, Flowing, Enchance, 94; Dr. Clay, spur, Prince Herman, 99; The Wizard, 102; War Cry, 103; Pirate, 107.

Second race, seven furlongs—Wilton, Lady Super, 99; King Solo, 96; Treasured City, Lady Brockway, 101; Matilda, 102; Ardita, Honey Brook, 103; Grantor, Mr. McNally, Sister Kate II., Aline S., 105.

Third race, selling, mile—Dutch Carter, Maid of Honor, 96; Phil Knight, 99; Willard C. Lissome, Kiss Quick, Miss Stanley, Star Gazer, James J. Corbett, 101; Zack Ford, 105; Rowdy G., 106.

Fourth race, selling, seven furlongs—Aurie, 94; Teddy Little, 96; Phil Knight, 99; K., Helen Hay, 103; Welcome Light, Tom Mayhia, 106; Lord Touchwood, Florestan, 107.

Fifth race, five furlongs—Applegate, 90; Kittanning, 98; Ben Franklin, 100; Whisky King, 103; Okla, Fonspray, Ordnung, Henry Mc, Daniel, 105; Scorpio, If You Dare, Golden Rule, 117.

Sixth race, selling, mile—Swordsman, 99; Georgia Gardner, Meahlin, 100; Trocadero, 101; Gin Spray, 103; Prince Blazes, 105; Morketo, 106; Lady Chorister, 111; Joe Leaser, 105.

THREE FOR HOMESTEAD.

McMasters' Clever Bowling Brought the Victory.

In the bowling games between the Homestead and East-Pittsburgh teams of the Western Pennsylvania league at Homestead last night, the home team won all three of the games in clever style, owing largely to the clever work of McMasters. The scores of the game follows:

Homestead—			
Phierson	148	139	171
Bissell	163	127	158
Hayes	90	134	113
Osborne	161	143	148
Schurzman	101	...	...
McMasters	119	151	205
Totals	621	693	795
East Pittsburgh—			
Hood	119	134	160
Hartford	120	105	85
Kirk	82	129	122
Wingfield	146	151	117
Bennett	129	128	129
Totals	537	588	502

JACK M'CLELLAND HAS GOOD OFFER

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Jack McClelland's manager today received a big offer from the manager of the Standard theater here to appear all next week in connection with the Harry Williams show if he wins or draws with Hugh McFadden of Brooklyn Thursday night. They will hardly accept, as that will be asking too much of Jack, as he jumps to Pittsburgh to meet Eddie Toy on Friday night before the Nonpareil A. C.

Will Be a Fast Fight.

The 10-round boxing contest on Saturday night at the Tariff club, Natrons, between Mull Bowser and Walter Burgo, will bring together two men who will furnish a contest as warm as they make them. The men are evenly matched in height, weight and reach, and will enter the ring as well paired as any two men that ever faced each other. Both men have done some hard stunts at training yesterday, and from reports from their training quarters a hot mixup contest can be looked for.

O'Brien Punches McKeever.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—Charley McKeever and "Philadelphia Jack" O'Brien sparred six rounds at the Penn Art club tonight. O'Brien was fresher at the finish. He floored McKeever in the third round, and the latter remained down seven seconds. McKeever was the aggressor throughout the bout, but he received much more punishment than O'Brien.

Arrested 36 Italians.

Special Officer C. C. Friend of the Panhandle railroad, single handed, arrested 36 Italians in a bunch and had them fined $3 each on Saturday at Midway on a charge of stealing coal from freight trains. He found the men working in two gangs. Friend notified the men that they were under arrest and commanded them to march behind him to the office of Justice J. Pyle, where they were given hearings.

STILL VERY SORE OVER TEAM'S SHOWING

Wash.-Jeff.'s Official Publication Roasts Coach Greene for Eleven's Poor Work.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 15.—An editorial which appeared in the issue of the Washington-Jeffersonian, the official publication of Washington and Jefferson college, which came out on Saturday, deals with the football situation at the local institution and censure both the management and the coaches for the poor showing made by the team during the past season.

The editorial which emanated from the faculty, which acts as a censor on the publication, is as follows:

"The football season at Washington and Jefferson does not seem to have been a success this year, considering the number of games lost and the hard luck that has attended the team during a part of the season. It is difficult to name any one direct cause for the team's poor showing, but it is certain that too many hard games were scheduled for early in the season, when the team had not been rounded into form and the men were soft from lack of proper training. The radical change from the Princeton to the Harvard style of play has not brought good results, as our players were not heavy enough to use the mass plays to advantage.

"Coach Greene came in for a large share of the criticism which led to his resignation before the close of the season, and it is the prevailing opinion that he did not handle the team well. It is certain that Greene's coaching was not up to the standard of previous years, when Princeton coaches had charge of the teams. For the immediate brace that the team took under Coaches Montgomery and Seaman shows that this year's coaching was at fault early in the season.

"Washington and Jefferson will in all probability not have an eastern coach next year, as there is a movement on foot to have Washington and Jefferson coaches and try to develop a 'Washington and Jefferson' style of play. One man must necessarily work to disadvantage, considering a term of Washington and Jefferson's pretensions, and there should be two coaches at least the next season, one for the back field and one for the line men."

JUNIOR LEAGUE SCHEDULES.

The Little Basket Ball Players Will Be Kept Busy.

The schedule of the Junior Basketball league, which opened its season last night in conjunction with that of the Allegheny County league, is as follows: December 15, Sterling vs. Tigers at Manchester hall; December 17, Nationals vs. Manchester at Glendrew hall; December 20, Riverview vs. Sharpsburg at Sharpsburg hall; December 22, Manchester vs. Sterling at Manchester hall; December 25, South Side vs. Tigers at South Side hall; December 26, Riverview vs. Carnegie at Bellevue hall; December 27, Bouquet vs. Bouquet at Bouquet hall; December 29, South Side vs. Nationals at South Side hall; December 29, Homestead vs. Homestead at Homestead hall; January 2, Tigers vs. Sharpsburg at Sharpsburg hall; January 5, Manchester vs. Riverview at Manchester hall; January 5, Bouquet vs. Sterling at Manchester hall; January 6, Nationals vs. Homestead at South Side hall; January 7, Bouquet vs. Carnegie at Carnegie hall; January 9, Sharpsburg vs. Riverview at Bellevue hall; January 12, Manchester vs. Bouquet at Manchester hall; January 12, Tigers vs. Homestead at Manchester hall; January 13, Homestead vs. Sharpsburg at Homestead; January 14, Nationals vs. Riverview at Glendrew hall; January 16, Carnegie vs. Sharpsburg at Carnegie hall; January 16, Riverview vs. Nationals at Bellevue hall; January 19, Tigers vs. Manchester at South Side hall; January 19, Tigers vs. Sterlings at Manchester hall; January 20, Manchester vs. Homestead at Homestead hall; January 21, Nationals vs. Sharpsburg at Glendrew hall; January 22, Carnegie vs. Bouquet at Carnegie hall; January 23, Riverview vs. South Side at Bellevue hall; January 24, South Side vs. Carnegie at South Side hall; January 26, Manchester vs. Tigers at Manchester hall; January 26, Bouquet vs. Nationals at Manchester hall; January 27, Homestead vs. Riverview at Homestead hall; January 28, Nationals vs. Bouquet at Glendrew hall; January 30, Sterlings vs. Riverview at Glendrew hall; January 31, Tigers vs. Sharpsburg at Sharpsburg hall; February 2, Bouquet vs. Riverview at Manchester hall; February 3, Homestead vs. South Side at Homestead hall; February 4, Nationals vs. Carnegie at Glendrew hall; February 5, Carnegie vs. Sharpsburg at Carnegie hall; February 6, Riverview vs. Sterlings at Riverview hall; February 6, Manchester vs. Tigers at Concordia hall; February 7, Bouquet vs. South Side at South Side hall; February 9, Nationals vs. Sharpsburg at South Side hall; February 9, Manchester vs. South Side at Manchester hall; February 9, Bouquet vs. Tigers at Manchester hall; February 10, Carnegie vs. Sterlings at Carnegie hall; February 11, Nationals vs. Bouquet at Glendrew hall; February 11, Carnegie vs. Tigers at Glendrew hall; February 12, Carnegie vs. Riverview at Carnegie hall; February 13, Sterlings vs. Manchester at Concordia hall; February 13, Tigers vs. Riverview at Concordia hall; February 14, South Side vs. Sharpsburg at South Side hall; February 16, Manchester vs. Carnegie at Manchester hall; February 16, Bouquet vs. Homestead at Manchester hall; February 18, Nationals vs. South Side at Glendrew hall; February 18, Tigers vs. Riverview at Glendrew hall; February 20, Riverview vs. Sterlings at Bellevue hall; February 21, Sharpsburg vs. Nationals at Sharpsburg hall; February 21, South Side vs. Manchester at South Side hall; February 25, Bouquet vs. Sharpsburg at Manchester hall; February 24, Homestead vs. Manchester at Homestead hall; February 25, Nationals vs. Tigers at Glendrew hall; February 25, Sterlings vs. Boquet at Glendrew hall; February 26, Riverview vs. Manchester at Manchester hall; February 27, Sterling vs. South Side at Concordia hall; February 27, Sharpsburg vs. Tigers at Concordia hall; February 28, Sharpsburg vs. Manchester at Sharpsburg hall; March 2, Nationals at Manchester hall; March 2, Tigers vs. Carnegie at Manchester hall; March 4, Nationals vs. Boquet at Glendrew hall; March 6, Sterling vs. Sharpsburg at Concordia hall; March 7, Sharpsburg vs. Boquet at Sharpsburg hall; March 10, Homestead vs. Boquet at Homestead hall; March 11, Nationals vs. Homestead at Glendrew hall; March 12, Carnegie vs. South Side at Carnegie hall; March 13, Sterling vs. Nationals at Concordia hall; March 14, South Side vs. Riverview at South Side hall; March 14, Sharpsburg vs. Sterling at Sharpsburg hall; March 16, Manchester vs. Sharpsburg at Manchester hall; March 17, Homestead vs. Sterling at Homestead hall; March 19, Nationals vs. Carnegie at Carnegie hall; March 20, Riverview vs. Bouquet at Bellevue hall; March 21, Sharpsburg vs. South Side at Sharpsburg hall; March 24, Homestead vs. Nationals at Homestead hall; March 27, Riverview vs. Homestead at Bellevue hall; March 27, Sterling vs. Carnegie at Concordia hall; March 28, Sharpsburg vs. Homestead at Sharpsburg hall.

BASKET BALL NOTES.

It was a case of play ball and play it hard last night at Manchester.

That was certainly a rousing start off for the Allegheny County Major league last night. Just think of it, only two field goals for Manchester, South Side must be the real thing.

Manager Dargan is requested to report at headquarters at 9 o'clock on Wednesday night. Important business.

Prof. Koch was right there with the goods when he was needed, and brought the South Side boys around each time.

Gene Schmitt scored 2 field goals on Walliser. They were two pretty ones. Gene is playing a great game this year.

Bill Davis played a great game at guard for South Side, not allowing Koch, Manchester's star forward, a single field goal.

Capt. Joe was in the game from start to finish. Joe is the best passing forward in the business and plays team work all the time.

Nickel scored the first goal of the game in the first minute of the game. Nick played a great game until he hurt his foot and had to get out.

Leiban played a great game despite his lame ankle, which was hurt in the game Saturday night with the Indiana A. A. He had 2 field goals and 6 from fouls, 9 points in all.

Winderknecht says that Skillinger is as easy to play as Jakey Rosenbloom, as he has only scored one goal on him in three years, and Winnie has scored 9 on him in the same time. As a guard Winnie is hard to beat.

To Build Two Furnaces.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—The announcement is made that the United States Steel Corporation will build two furnaces at the Ohio plant of the National Steel Company. There are already three stacks there.

Offensive even to Myself.—F. A. Bottom, druggist, Cookshire, Que., says: "For twenty years I suffered from catarrh. My breath was very offensive even to myself. I tried everything which promised me a cure. I was induced to try Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. I got relief instantly after first application. It cured me and I am free from all the effects of it."—19.

SOUTH SIDE WON OPENING GAME

Basketball Season Got a Fine Start at Manchester.

BIG CROWD THERE

A. C. Major League Standing.							
Clubs.	W.	L.	P.C.	Clubs.	W.	L.	P.C.
South Side.	1	0	1000	Iroquois	0	0	000
Bellevue	0	0	0	Lyceum	0	0	000
Carnegie	0	0	000	Manchester.	0	1	000

A. C. Junior League Standing.							
Clubs.	W.	L.	P.C.	Clubs.	W.	L.	P.C.
Sterling	1	0	1000	Nationals	0	0	000
Boquet	0	0	000	Riverview	0	0	000
Carnegie	0	0	000	Sharpsburg	0	0	000
Homestead	0	0	000	South Side	0	0	000
Manchester	0	0	000	Tigers	0	1	000

The opening game of the Allegheny County Major league was played last night in Manchester Turner hall. Manager Roth had made arrangements for a record-breaking crowd, and it was well that he did, for long before the time for the game the hall was packed to overflowing. The doors were closed and people outside were offering $1 to get in.

Manager Roth had the playing space roped off and there was hardly enough room inside the ropes to play, as the pushing crowd forced the ropes out onto the floor. Both teams put up a very fine article of basketball and they both wanted to win, but the South Side boys were out for victory and nothing could stop them. The Manchester boys played hard to win and kept at it until the last minute of the game.

About 300 loyal rooters accompanied the South Side team and they were the noisiest crowd that ever visited Manchester. Blowing horns, ringing cowbells and using all kinds of contrivances to see who could make the most noise. The South Side boys are very proud of their victory, as it wipes out the sting of the defeat given them in the opening game of the season, when Manchester won by the score of 23 to 19. This victory, coupled with the one gained over Indiana last Saturday night, places South Side in a good position in basketball standing in this part of the state.

When Referee Little ran out on the floor and blew his whistle and the crowd realized that the Allegheny County league season was on, a great yell went up and both gangs began rooting hard. In less time than it takes to tell it there was a scrimmage on and on the toss up of the ball Nickel bumped it through the net. Then one would have thought that the whole bunch in the hall was rooting for South Side. Again the ball was put up at center and almost immediately after Nickel was injured so that he had to leave the game, Schmitt taking his place. After being resumed both teams went at it hammer and tongs. The play at all times was close and the half ended in South Side's favor, 9 to 7.

The second half was a duplicate of the first playing of both teams keeping the crowd in an uproar. During this half Capt. Leithead was knocked out for quite a while, but he plucked up and got a great ovation, by way of a round of applause. Manchester began playing desperately and succeeded in tying the score. Then with a free shot from the foul line they were one point to the good and then there was a fierce fight for field goals, Manchester's little splurge did them no good, for with a cry from their captain South Side got together and like a flash shot two goals from field and Manchester was beaten by 4 points.

Davies had the wind knocked out of him near the close of the game, but he got in again and finished the game. The score and lineup:

South Side—15.		Manchester—11.
Leiban	Forward	Skillinger
Leithead	Forward	Kork
Nickel	Center	Wallizer
Davies	Guard	Bergen
Windeknecht	Guard	Burry

Substitutes—Schmitt for Nickel, Metakes for Walliser. Field goals—Leiban (2), Schmitt (3), Nickel, Walliser (2). Foul goals—Leiban (5), Graham (7). Referee—Little.

The Allegheny County Junior league was rendered a great send-off at Manchester last night. The Sterlings, champions of Western Pennsylvania, defeated the Tigers of Allegheny 12 to 3. This was the Tigers' first game and was very encouraging to the management. The feature of the game was Chatkin's sensational shoot for the Tigers, only field goal. Elton did well at guard and Robson and Mc. Griffin at forward worked hard for a victory. Fanning had all the best of it at center. The Billingers played best for Sterling. Bertges did well, scoring most of the points for the Tigers—3. Sterling—12.

Robson	Forward	W. Billinger
McGriffin	Forward	Bertges
Fanning	Center	Sutter
Elton	Guard	J. Billinger
Chatkin	Guard	Yeoit

Field goals—Chatkin, W. Billinger (2), Bertges. Goals from foul—Bertges (6), Robson. Referee—Graham and Burry.

Victory for the Juniors.

The Manchester Juniors defeated the Carnegie Juniors by a score of 11 to 5. The Carnegie boys played a good game, but were outclassed by Manchester. The game was played on Carnegie's floor. King played a good game. Lineup:

Manchester Juniors.		Carnegie Juniors.
Tannehill	Forward	Beadling
Alton	Forward	R. Tomlinson
Thompson	Center	Barum
King	Guard	Martin
Hassler	Guard	Sloan

Field goals—Tannehill (2), King (3), Barum, Beadling. Fouls—Tannehill, Sloan. Referee—Seibel.

Iroquois Club's Turkey Shoot.

The Iroquois Rifle club of the South Side has arranged for a grand turkey shoot to be held on Christmas day, which will include all rifle experts who care to enter. The shooting will be at a four-inch black target with rings and the man who wins a turkey will certainly earn it. The shooting starts at 10 a. m. and lasts until 10 p. m.

Wants to Play Hockey.

The Perry A. C. hockey team of Allegheny will accept challenges for Christmas week from all nine and ten-year-old teams. Inquire of William Zeigler, manager, P. & A., 57 Chester, 1426 Fulton street.

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CEDAR ROSS WAS HELD IN $4,000 BAIL

Informations Made Against Rest of Gang, Who Are Well Known.

Cedar Ross, alias Harry Williams, was yesterday held for court in $2,000 bail, on each of two charges. He was accused of felonious assault and battery and entering a building to commit a felony, by Henry Kleinman, the Allegheny plumber whom he robbed and assaulted last Thursday.

When the case was called before Magistrate Henry Hunneshagen at Allegheny Central station, Attorney W. H. McGeary appeared in Ross' behalf and waived a hearing for court.

Informations were entered against the other three members of the gang. Supt. Henry Muth of the Allegheny police made information against Patrick Murphy, alias Dick Osburne, charging him with feloniously shooting Joseph Guckert, an employe of Kleinman, during the chase after the gang, while Kleinman also entered charges of entering a building with intent to commit a felony against William, alias Patrick, Hannan and Joseph Sweeney.

Ross is known to the police of the entire country as a "big gun," and Patrick Murphy has a penitentiary record, and a long list of crimes are laid at his door, in Chicago and elsewhere.

Hannan and Sweeney are said to be offenders, well known to the police of West Virginia. Moundsville and Wheeling being their usual stamping ground. Descriptions and photographs of the trio are in the Rogues' Gallery, and the police of the entire country are on the lookout for them.

Pinkerton detectives working on the Irwin and Freedom bank robberies are confident that the four men are the same that robbed these institutions, and that Ross will be

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20"x36" x36" (150 H. P.), L. H., McIntosh & Seymour.
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COLONIAL style, mahogany, upright piano, with all the latest improvements; fine tone quality, light elastic action; three pedals, ivory keys and good durable construction; a piano made to sell for $275, but we only ask $175; save you $100; terms to suit. Hoffmann's, 537 Smithfield st.

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Call at once, six per cent.
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DENHOLM'S pure pork sausage, ham, bacon and lard. Best on the market. On sale retail markets, 6123 Penn ave. Stalls 133-35-37-39 Liberty ave.

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Protect your houses with good paint put on by a trustworthy painter.
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Let Us List Your Property For Rent. With a continued experience in the real estate business of 30 years, we are in a position to offer the best service.
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PUPILS—Day and night school for young and middle aged men and women. Actual Business College, 310 Fifth avenue, big ten-cent store building. Call or write for catalogues.

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SEND for complete list of East End houses.
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En suite; new Lewis Block annex, Sixth avenue and Smithfield street; large, sunny and centrally located.
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Very desirably located of
Good appearance; first
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FOR RENT—Desk space cheap, all conveniences. Call 804 Arrott Building.

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At $5,500—desirable house, 6 rooms, bath, furnace, modern fixtures; desirably and centrally located. Fifty st., East End. See Commonwealth Real Estate & Trust Co., 327 and 329 Fourth ave.

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IRON CITY REALTY CO., 315 Fourth ave.

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ELECTION NOTICE.

Pittsburgh National Bank of Commerce,
Corner of Sixth avenue and Wood street,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the purpose of electing directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m., at the banking house, corner Sixth avenue and Wood street.

Duquesne National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual meeting of the shareholders of th Duquesne National Bank to elect ten (10) directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 409 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh, Pa., on the 13th day of January, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock m. and 1 p. m.
A. H. PATTERSON, Cashier.

The Arsenal Bank of Pittsburgh,
4300 Butler st.,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 13, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for twelve directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, Forty-third and Butler streets, Wednesday, January 14, 1903, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
JOHN GRINE, Cashier.

Monongahela National Bank,
Fifth avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at the banking house, corner of Wood street and Sixth avenue, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
JOHN D. FRASER, Cashier.

Union National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 13, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election of directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Fourth avenue and Market street, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of one (1) and three (3) o'clock p. m.
C. F. DEAN, Cashier.

The Federal National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for 15 directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Fifth avenue and Smithfield street, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 2 p. m.
G. W. EISENBEIS, Cashier.

Western Savings & Deposit Bank,
Pittsburgh, Dec. 13, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for eleven directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 531 Smithfield st., Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 noon and 1 o'clock p. m.
CHARLES E. SCHUETZ, Cashier.

First National Bank of Birmingham,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for seven directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 2201 Carson street, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 o'clock p. m.
DANIEL BEECH, Cashier.

The Diamond National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for fourteen directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Fifth ave. and Union st., Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 p. m.
H. C. WETTENGEL, Cashier.

Farmers Deposit National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Dec. 11, 1902.
The annual meeting of the shareholders of this bank, to elect directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, No. 220 Fourth avenue, on TUESDAY, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 o'clock noon.
J. W. FLEMING, Cashier.

Exchange National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of the Exchange National Bank of Pittsburgh will be held at the banking house, No. 245 Fifth ave., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 p. m.
A. LONG, Cashier.

The Lincoln National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 11, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for 13 directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 633 Smithfield street, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 p. m.
W. R. CHRISTIAN, Cashier.

The German National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 13, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 noon and 1 o'clock p. m.
W. W. RAMSEY, Cashier.

Metropolitan National Bank,
Forty-third and Butler sts.,
Pittsburgh, December 8, 1902.
The annual election for directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock p. m.
R. M. DAVIS, Cashier.

Pennsylvania National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 11, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, corner Penn avenue and Ninth st., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 noon.
R. M. DAVIS, Cashier.

Workingmans Savings Bank & Trust Co.,
Allegheny Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Ohio st. and Madison ave., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 2 and 3 p. m.
CHAS. G. WAHL, Asst. Cashier.

Merchants and Manufacturers National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m.
J. M. RUSSELL, Cashier.

The German National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for nine directors of this bank for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 709 Ohio street, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
W. W. RAMSEY, Cashier.

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Allegheny, Pa., December 12, 1902.
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ALBERT HEIM, Cashier.

Allegheny National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 229 Fifth ave., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock a. m.
W. MONTGOMERY, Cashier.

Tradesmens National Bank,
United States Depository,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 o'clock p. m.
H. M. LANDIS, Cashier.

Commercial National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, Nos. 329 and 331 Fourth avenue, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 p. m.
H. W. BICKEL, Cashier.

The National Bank of Western Pennsylvania,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank, to serve during the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, corner Penn ave. and Ninth st., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 p. m.
GEORGE S. MACRUM, Cashier.

Iron City National Bank of Pittsburgh,
No. 282 Fourth ave.,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—An election for thirteen directors to serve during the banking year ensuing will be held at the bank, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 and 1 p. m.
CHAS. S. LINDSAY, Cashier.

Third National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 13, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, 526 and 528 Wood st., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hour of 12 and 1 p. m.
OGDEN RUSSELL, Cashier.

Liberty National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for nine directors, to serve this bank for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, 6101 Penn ave., Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock p. m.
H. H. WOODS, Cashier.

Columbia National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors to serve this bank for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
T. A. GRIFFIN, Cashier.

The Peoples National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
NOTICE OF ELECTION—The annual election for directors for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 2347 Carson st., Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 noon and 1 p. m.
ROBERT WARDROP, Cashier.

The First National Bank of Allegheny,
Allegheny Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, 424 Federal st., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 noon.
E. R. KRAMER, Cashier.

Ft. Pitt National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at its banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 m.
A. W. HERRON, Cashier.

First National Bank of Verona,
Verona, Pa., Dec. 13, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for nine directors to serve this bank for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 3 and 4 p. m.
W. E. BARGAR, Cashier.

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WATCH for McDougall's opening, Cyclorama Auditorium, Allegheny.

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MOVING?
If so, employ practical and experienced parties; it is the cheapest. Light wagons for hire, with or without drivers. Also carriers of passengers and packages to Perrysville and Wexford.
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813 and 815 West Diamond, Allegheny.
Both 'Phones No. 453, Allegheny.

FOUND.

FOUND—That the 12 size, 20-year, gold filled American Watch is sold at $8.00 and other watches, also diamonds at proportionately low prices, at Emanuel DeRoy & Son, 643 Smithfield st., near Seventh ave. Established 1852.

LOST.

LOST—Time and money if you don't come for your watch to Emanuel DeRoy & Son, gold and solid initial rings, $2.25; solid gold ladies' set rings, at $1.00 and up. 643 Smithfield st., near Seventh ave.

DETECTIVE AGENCIES.

M'SWEENEY'S Interstate Detective Agency, 425 Diamond st., Pittsburgh, Pa., transacts a general detective business; all communications strictly confidential.

REWARD.

REWARD—Practical shoemaker and repairer; our patronage. John Brautigam, 630 Penn ave.

PATENTS.

PATENTS—O. D. Levis; 25 years' attorney. 643 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh.

ELECTION NOTICE.

Office of the National Glass Company,
Eighth street and Penn avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 15, 1902.
NOTICE is hereby given that there will be a special meeting of the stockholders of the National Glass Company held at the principal office of the company, at the corner of Penn avenue and Eighth street, in the city of Pittsburgh, on Monday, the 16th day of February, 1903, at 3 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of giving or withholding consent to a proposition to issue bonds in exchange for a portion of the outstanding stock of the company in certain proportions of stock and cash, as may be determined at said meeting.
ADDISON THOMPSON, Secretary.

Second National Bank of Pittsburgh,
United States Depositary,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at its banking house, Nos. 245 and 247 Fourth avenue, between the hours of 12:30 and 1:30 p. m., for the purpose of voting for or against amending Article 3, of the Articles of Association, to read: "The board of directors shall consist of not less than seven, nor more than fifteen stockholders," instead of "not less than seven, nor more than eleven stockholders," and to elect directors for the ensuing year.
THOS. W. WELSH, JR., Cashier.

The Safe Deposit and Trust Company of Pittsburgh,
245-247 Fourth avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this company, to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the office of the company, Nos. 245 and 247 Fourth avenue, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 12 m.
W. T. HOWE, Secretary and Treasurer.

Cosmopolitan National Bank,
Wood and Liberty Streets,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, corner Wood and Liberty streets Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
D. J. RICHARDSON, Cashier.

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214 Market Street,

SAFEGUARD FOR MONEY MARKET

Stocks Rallied on the Report of the Formation of a $50,000,000 Pool for Emergency Purposes. Local Securities Inactive.

By JOHN O. BAGLIN, Financial Editor.

There was considerable weakness and much irregularity in the eastern stock market at the opening yesterday. The liquidation was a continuation of that in progress on Saturday after the publication of the bank statement, and it may be that it was aggravated by the reports that Washington looked upon the action of the English and Germans in the Venezuelan affair as exceeding the program outlined before the "peaceful" blockade was established. Prices averaged a point lower all around in the initial transactions. Supporting orders appeared, but on the rallies there was a fresh outburst of selling which in some instances carried values to the low level reached last week. In the afternoon a distinct change in the tone of the market occurred. The early declines were not only recovered, but smart advances occurred throughout the list, and the closing prices were at or near the highest of the day.

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The change was coincident with a rumor to the effect that some of the large banks were considering a plan to meet any emergency that might occur in the money market during the closing days of the year. This rumor assumed more definite form later, and the statement was made that a $50,000,000 pool, composed of some of the largest New York banks, had been formed, and that amount of credit made available for the money market in case it was needed. It was stated that the contributors of this sum had selected a committee consisting of J. P. Morgan, James Stillman and George F. Baker, who were to determine the use of the money in case of undue stringency. The public has become so accustomed to big figures that $50,000,000 does not look like a large sum, although in 1894, when the Stewart syndicate furnished the government $50,000,000 in exchange for bonds, and again in 1895, when the Belmont syndicate furnished $62,400,000, in order to maintain the gold reserve, the operations were looked upon as feats of financiering, and the relief afforded the situation was instantaneous. Fifty million dollars would very soon melt away now if there should be a resumption of the rampant speculation of last summer and early fall; but it is not proposed, if we may judge from the meager facts at hand, to use the money to revive speculation. It is for the purpose of averting needless sacrifice in the stock market, and will tend to allay the apprehensions aroused by the long continued firm rates. The latter have not yet reached the panicky level—35 per cent being the maximum last October, and 12 per cent the highest since then—but the talk of a "squeeze" at the end of the year has had a tendency to withdraw funds from the market, and if preparations have been made to avert a "squeeze," the actual and sentimental effect will be favorable.

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The rates on call yesterday reached 11 per cent early in the morning and dropped to 4 per cent late in the afternoon. The only news bearing upon the movement of funds was the announcement that $350,000 had been transferred by telegraph from San Francisco to New York. The movement of currency between the two coasts has been one of the puzzling features of the market during the past month or so. With the San Francisco banks carrying a much larger reserve than the banks of any other city, there have been shipments of currency to that market one day and receipts from it the next, and no adequate explanation has been made of the movement. The normal movement of money at this season is toward New York, and January usually witnesses a return to comparatively easy conditions. Thus throughout the latter part of December last year call money ruled around 10@12 per cent. The following January the banks gained $27,000,000 in actual cash. In January, 1901, the cash gain was $40,030,000, in 1900, $28,900,00; in 1899, $30,090,000, and in the same month in 1898, $32,000,000. Today the opinion is almost universally expressed that the return flow of currency the coming month will not occur, and some experienced bankers do not look for what is generally regarded as easy money until April. The fact that 6 and 8 per cent have been paid for loans running from 30 days to six months, indicates that some borrowers entertain the same view. The only reason given for this opinion is that the moment rates decline to a normal level, gold will begin to be shipped to Europe, not so much to liquidate merchandise trade balance, but to meet loans negotiated abroad by our bankers. It does not require a long experience to be able to testify to very sudden changes in sentiment in the money market, and it will not be an unprecedented occurrence if the present stringency should give way to ease within the next four to six weeks. There is just one present fact, however, which seems to outweigh past experience in this matter, and that is the length of time that an average 6 per cent money market has been in force. This has lasted since last September. It could not have remained for that length of time by agreement or manipulation, and the fact that it has continued is the main thing that puzzles the most optimistic, possibly justifying not only the unusual preparations that have been made for the end-of-the-year settlements, but the formation of the money pool to guard against the unexpected.

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There was a falling off in the dealings in the local stock market yesterday, but the 5,587 shares handled were pretty evenly distributed. The largest business was in the steel stocks, and they opened heavy, in sympathy with the decline in this class of stocks in the east. United States Steel sold down to 30¼ and the preferred to 79⅝, but both made a strong rally at the close, and the net change was an advance of ⅝@1½ per cent. Crucible Steel common sold at 16⅜@17, closing unchanged from Saturday, while the preferred, after selling at 83¾, recovered to 84, an advance of ¼. Pittsburgh Coal, which held comparatively firm all last week, weakened a fraction to 28¼, and the preferred declined to 86¾, closing offered at 86½. River Coal common and preferred sold to the extent of only 25 shares and remained nominally unchanged. Window Glass was dull but firm, selling at 48½, and closing at that price bid, an advance of ½. Westinghouse Electric declined to 93, closing steady at the decline. Brewing stocks were also fractionally lower. Fire Proofing common remained unchanged, but the preferred sold off to 35½. Philadelphia Company declined to 44, and Allegheny Valley preferred to 28. The only feature of the banking group was the sale of 16 shares Peoples National bank at 400, a decline of $65 a share from the high point quoted some months ago. Real Estate Trust sold at 278@280, while Allegheny Trust and Safe Deposit were steady and unchanged.

PITTSBURGH STOCKS.

Transactions on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday aggregated 5,587 shares stock and $2,000 bonds. Sales:

10 to 10:30 a. m.

15 Brewing pfd.	47½	25 F. Proof. com	23¾
20 F. Proof. pfd.	35⅝	10@ Crucible com.	16⅝
10 do	35⅞	100-50-50-50 do	16⅝
50 do	35⅝	50 U. S. S. com.	30¼
75 U. S. S. pfd.	79⅛	100-100 do	30⅛
25-50 do	79⅞	10 do	30⅜
100 do	79⅝	10 Brewing com.	30
25 do	79⅜	1 S. D. & T.	114
10 do	79¾	50 Crucible pfd.	83⅝
100 F. Proof. com	23¾	10 do	83⅝
50 do	23½		

10:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.

50 Brewing com.	29⅜	40 U. S. S. com.	30⅝
50 do	29⅜	50-50 do	30¼
15 do	29⅜	50 do	30⅜
10 Ally. Trust	150	50-100 do	30¼
10 do	150	50 do	30⅛
30 W. Airbrake	170	10 G.-A. S. & T.	162½
10-5 do	170	10 Electric 2ds	93¼
25 B. E. Trust	278	10-50 do	93
40 Crucible pfd.	83⅝	25 P. Coal pfd.	86⅝
10 do	83¾	10 do	86¾
25 F. Proof. com	23¾	10 do	86⅞
8 do	23½	200 A. V. pfd.	28
40-10 do	23⅜	20 Brewing pfd.	47¼
100 P. Coal com.	28½	25 W. Glass pfd.	87
150-100-25 do	28⅝	5 Crucible com.	17
50 do	28⅝	45-40-65 do	16⅝
50 do	28¾	10 P. V. Trac.	26½
5 R. Coal com.	9⅞	10 do	26¾
5 R. Coal pfd.	89⅝	50 W. Glass com	48½
75-5 do	89	25 Phila. com.	43⅜
20 do	79⅝	25 F. Proof. pfd.	35¾
25 do	79⅜		

12:30 to 2 p. m.

5 U. S. S. com.	31	1 S. D. & T.	114¾
50 do	30⅞	2 do	115
10 R. Coal pfd.	89¾	50 F. Proof. com	23½
5 Electric 1sts	95	50 do	23⅝
25 P. Coal com.	28¼	5 Con. Ice pfd.	56½

2 to 3 p. m.

200 F. Proof. pfd.	35⅜	25 Phila. com.	44
50-20 do	35⅜	40 P. P. Glass	125
25-100 do	35½	50 Crucible com.	16⅞
10 U. S. S. pfd.	81	100-50-50-100 do	17
10 do	81	25-15-20 do	17
25 U. S. S. com.	31¼	25 Safe D. & T.	115
100 do	30⅞	7-15-5-15 do	116
100 do	30½	25 P. Coal com.	28½
10 do	31¼	25-75 do	28¾
50 do	31⅝	25 do	28⅝
8 P. Coal pfd.	86⅜	100-100 do	28¾
10 B. E. Trust	280	35 Crucible pfd.	84
50 Electric 2ds	93¼	10 do Airbrake	170
100-50 do	93	16 Peoples N. B.	400
10 Brewing pfd.	47	10 R. Coal com.	9⅝
10 do	47	30 F. Proof. com	23½
100 Phila. com.	44		

Bonds, Etc.

$1,000 Brewing 6s.113 | $1,000 Brewing 6s.113

Summary.

SHARES.	High.	Low.	Last Sale.	C'ge.
200 A. V. pfd.	28	28	28	—2
125 Brewing	30	29⅜	29⅞	—⅛
60 Do preferred	47½	47	47	—½
5 Con. Ice pfd.	56½	56½	56½	+½
850 Crucible steel	17	16⅞	17	0
145 Do preferred	84	83¾	84	+⅛
388 Fire Proofing	23⅝	23¼	23½	0
510 Do preferred	35⅞	35½	35½	—⅜
150 Phil. Co. com.	44	43¾	44	—⅛
570 Pgh. Coal	28½	28⅜	28¼	—⅛
143 Do preferred	86⅞	86⅝	86⅝	—⅛
40 P. Pl. Glass	135	135	135	0
20 P. Val. Trac.	26¾	26¾	26¾	—⅛
15 River Coal	9⅝	9⅝	9⅝	+⅛
10 Do preferred	39⅝	38⅝	38⅝	0
950 U. S. Steel	31⅜	30¼	31⅜	+⅝
458 Do preferred	81	79⅝	81	+⅛
56 West. Airbrake	170	169	170	+1
5 Do Elec 1sts	95	95	95	+2
270 Do Elec. 2ds	93¼	93	93	—⅛
100 Win. Glass	48½	48½	48½	+½
25 Do preferred	88	88	88	+½
20 Ally. Trust	150	150	150	0
10 Ger.A.S. & T.	162½	162½	162½	0
16 Peoples N. B.	400	400	400	—65
35 R. Real Trust	278	278	280	+1
71 S. Dep. & T.	115	*114	115	0
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BONDS.

$2000 Brewing 6s	113	113	113	—½

*Five shares or less.

Closing Bids and Offers.

STOCKS.

	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
Pgh. Elec.			Mining.		
Arsenal	148	....	Luster	12	13¾
Mfrs.	120	....	Railroads.		
Mon. Nat.	200	300	A. V. pfd.	27¾	....
Tnd. & M.	72	....	Electric.		
Pgh. Tr.			West. 2d pf.	93	93½
Penns. Tr.		250	Misc.		
B. E. Tr.	274	281	Cruc. Steel	16¾	17
S. D. & T.	114¾	116	Do pfd.	83¾	....
Ally. Elec.			Marsden		4½
Ally. Trust	148	150	N. Fire P.	23¾	24½
B. of S.	91½	....	Do pfd.	35⅜	35½
Ger. Gas			U. S. Glass		32⅝
M. L. & H.		88¾	Do pfd.	108	....

BONDS.

Railroads.		C. 1st 5s.	98
P., McK. &			

FEATURES OF THE DAY

IN PITTSBURGH.

Bank exchanges increased $1,150,000 for the day.

Sales on the stock exchange 5,587 shares stock and $2,000 bonds.

Steel stocks moderately active, closing firmer.

Pittsburgh Coal common declined to 28¼ and the preferred to 86½.

Westinghouse Electric declined ½ to 93.

Window Glass advanced ½ to 48½ bid.

IN WALL STREET.

Total sales for the day 854,000 shares.

Loaning syndicate stops heavy declines, but prevents rise above Saturday's level.

Money opens at 10 per cent but closes at 4.

Chicago exchange rises to 40 cents premium.

Tone of market firm at close.

Bonds weak; total sales (par value $3,120,000.

	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
UNLISTED SECURITIES.					
STOCKS.			P. S. & R.	....	7
Misc.			Do pfd.	15	22
A.W. Glass	48½	48⅝	U. S. Steel	31½	31⅝
Do pfd.	....	88	Do pfd.	80½	....
Con Gas pf	44	....	W. Machine	95	....
Con. Ice pf	35	36½	BONDS.		
M. R. C. &			Misc.		
C. Co.	9⅜	9½	Con. Gas 5s	....	111½
Pgh. Brew.	39½	40¾	M. R. C. &		
Do pfd.	....	97½	P.	112	112½
Pgh. Coal	28¼	28⅝	P. Brew. 6s	112¾	....
Do pfd.	86⅜	86½	W. & E. P.		
P. Pl. Glass	135	137	St. Ry. 5s	....	111

NOTES AND COMMENT.

Some of the local private wire houses were advised by their eastern correspondents to send in their orders last night, as the stormy condition of the weather threatened to make telegraphic service today very uncertain. The service yesterday was not of the best, and considerable delay was experienced in obtaining confirmation of orders. Still, Pittsburgh is said to have executed some good orders on the buying side of United States Steel preferred.

The Dollar Savings Fund and Trust Company has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 2½ per cent and an extra dividend of ½ per cent, making 3 per cent in all, both payable January 1.

Standard Chain bonds were offered on the local board at 92.

Ohio Fuel Supply was quoted at 28 bid, 29 asked.

Hall was the seller and McClure & Way the buyer of the 16 shares Peoples National bank stock sold at 400.

The board of directors of the Safe Deposit and Trust Company of Pittsburgh has decided to submit to a vote of stockholders the question of opening a banking department of the company. A circular, accompanied by a blank ballot, has been mailed to each stockholder and the latter is asked to indicate his desire in the matter. It is understood that several of the more prominent stockholders are opposed to opening a banking department for the reason that since the organization of the company it has received many trusts, some of which may have been given on account of of the fact that the company did not transact a banking business. The possibility of a run on deposit and trust company, and that there is a sentimental if no stronger reason why the character of the institution should not be changed. As stated in this department some weeks ago, a number of stockholders have expressed a desire that the company should enter the banking business, and it is thought that some of the recent buying of the stock, which resulted in an advance, was based upon the expectation that the company would widen its field of usefulness.

The members of the Pittsburgh stock exchange will meet on the 18th inst. to nominate officers for the ensuing year. The election will be held on Friday, January 2, 1903.

A conservative Pittsburgh banker makes this suggestion: "If the bankers of the United States really desire an 'emergency circulation' they can proceed to provide the same without waiting for congress to pass laws on the subject. The present national banking law on reserve requirements fixes the minimum and maximum percentage of net deposits that shall be retained as a reserve. This minimum ranges from 15 per cent for country banks to 25 per cent for city banks. There is no restriction on the maximum reserve. Now, the way to obtain an emergency circulation is to provide for the emergency by carrying a larger percentage of reserve during periods when the legitimate business requirements of the country are at a minimum. The custom now during these periods of dullness is to endeavor to maintain the same volume of loans as during periods of activity. The only way this can be done is by offering the borrower concessions in rate of interest, and that is why we see call rates sometimes quoted at 1 to 2 per cent. Such rates make the excess of bulging stocks easy and cheap. It puts it within the power of reckless pools to accumulate large blocks of securities and inflate the market value of the same to the danger point. It is conceded that relief should be brought to the overspeculate, and it is responsible for the recurrence of stock market panics. Now, if last summer, when the demands of legitimate trade were comparatively light, the banks had maintained a reserve of say 35 or 40 per cent, they would have accomplished two desirable objects—they would have prevented the wild speculation that carried prices of some stocks $10 to $50 a share above fair values, and they would have had on hand an abundance of funds to move the crops. They would have taken less risk and made as much money, for $100,000,000 loaned at 6 per cent nets the same return as $200,000,000 loaned at 2 per cent, and 4 per cent is not a high rate for the use of borrowed money. As I say, we can provide ourselves with an 'emergency circulation' under present law if we have the cause to do so, and the enactment of additional laws, making it easier to provide more currency, will not change the situation, for human nature will remain the same."

According to street gossip there are at least three local banking institutions which are paying the equivalent of 4 per cent on checking accounts. Some justify this course by the condition of the money market, and say that the rate will be reduced when money becomes easier. Conservative bankers, however, regard the rate as too high for safety.

The bank pool formed in Wall street yesterday to guard against an emergency in the money market is similar to that formed in September, 1901. When the shooting of President McKinley threatened unknown terrors to the market a bank pool was organized, making a pledge of $40,000,000 credits in an emergency. As a matter of fact the emergency credits were never issued; loans, instead of expanding in the next four weeks, were reduced $12,000,000 further. This was because the possible stock panic did not materialize. No doubt one reason why it did not was that machinery for checking it had been placed in the market's sight.

"In regard to the report that the second underwriting syndicate of the United States Steel Corporation, which was formed for the purpose of putting through the bond conversion plan, has turned in $80,000,000 of the preferred stock to the managers, J. P. Morgan & Co., a member of the syndicate, said today that he thought a good many members had protected themselves against a possible hitch in the scheme by short sales of the stock at fair prices, and that even if it had been brought in, said, they would be able to cover their contracts by delivery of the stock which would be returned to them by the syndicate managers, so that there would be no possibility of a corner in the stock as was promptly returned. But in any event he thought there was sufficient supply on that there would be no difficulty in borrowing the stock meanwhile."—New York Evening Post.

Registration books on United States Steel series A bonds close December 20 and reopen January 5, for the payment of interest due January 1, 1903.

The Standard Oil dividend was payable yesterday, representing a release of $10,000,000.

Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balance, $209,444,075; gold, $120,389,962; silver, $6,436,664; $44,015 notes pales, $2,834,-; gold treasury notes of 1890, $84,245; national bank notes, $14,294,879; total receipts this day, $2,277,657; total receipts this month, $24,695,749; total receipts this year, $1,147,867,; total expenditures this day, $1,455,000; total expenditures this month, $21,250,000; total expenditures this year, $248,616,227; deposits in national banks, $149,589,790.

A Good Sale in Real Estate.

The Union Realty Company sold for Morris Baer his residence, No. 221 Stratford avenue, for $12,000. The lot measures 40x100 feet, on which is erected a new 12-room reception hall house. The purchaser is James Hay.

MOVEMENTS IN TRADE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—All grades of refined sugars were reduced 10 points today.

RAILROAD NOTES.

L. E. Snively, traveling freight agent of the Lackawanna at Philadelphia, was in the city yesterday.

J. K. Dillon, district passenger agent of the Pennsylvania lines at Pittsburgh, who has been spending a vacation in California, is expected here tomorrow.

The Carnegie Steel Company has organized a department of six men whose sole duties will be supervision over cars used by the company. C. F. Hague of Wilkinsburg is in charge of the department.

J. T. Blair, president of the Little Kanawha, and D. W. McKay of Weirton, Wayne county, connected with the Greene county interests of the Wabash, were in the city yesterday.

General Passenger Agent L. A. Robison of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie announced yesterday that Boston Special Train No. 3, will discontinue its stops at Edenborn and Struthers. The purpose is the maintenance of the schedule during the bad weather.

The general committee on the entertainment of the convention of railroad conductors in this city in May next, will this week prepare the program for the visitors. Daily meetings are being held at the Monongahela house. George W. Miller, now clerk of courts, is chairman of the committee.

THE THREE RIVERS.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

CINCINNATI, Dec. 15.—River 34.5 feet and rising. Showers. All packets in and out on time. Capt. Walter Orr, superintendent of water transportation for the C. Crane Lumber Company, has recovered from his recent accident sufficiently to take personal charge of the Crown Hill and J. O. Cole. He will send them to the Big Sandy for tows of timber. Business is brisk and is increasing every day.

LOUISVILLE—River rising with 11 feet 3 inches in the canal, 9 feet 1 inch on the falls, and 28 feet at the foot of the locks. Falls will have been improved and three more feet will close the canal. The Convoy and tow arrived here today and returned to Cincinnati, and the Beaver and tow followed to Cairo.

MIDDLEPORT—River 30 feet 6 inches and rising. Steady rain all day. Up, Queen City, 1:30 a. m.; Valley Belle, 11:30 a. m.; Alice Brown, 7 p. m. Down, Virginia, 1:30 a. m.; Harry Brown, 10:30 a. m.; James Moran, 11:30 a. m.; Charles Brown, 6:40 p. m.

GREENSBORO—River 12 feet 6 inches and falling. Rain. Navigation suspended.

WHEELING—River 22 feet and falling. Raining. Departed, Bessie Smith, Parkersburg, noon. Down with coal, Gleaner, 11 a. m.; Pfile, noon; Tornado, 1 p. m.; Joseph Walton, 2 p. m.; Finley, 2 p. m.; Sam Brown and Jim Wood, 3 p. m. Up with empties, Tom Dodsworth, 4 p. m.

MORGANTOWN—River 10 feet 10 inches and falling. Rain.

STEUBENVILLE—River 19 feet 9 inches and falling. Raining. Up, Charles Brook, 12:30 p. m. Down, Gleaner, 8:30 a. m.; Tornado, 10:30 a. m.; Joseph Walton, 10:30 a. m.; Jim Wood, 11:30 a. m.; J. C. Risher, 11:30 a. m.; Sam Brown, noon; Defender, 1:30 p. m.; Oakland, 2 p. m.; Tom Rees, 2 p. m.

OIL CITY—River 1 foot 9 inches and falling. Raining.

HUNTINGTON—River 33.5 feet and rising fast. Raining hard all day. E. R. Andrews down at 10 a. m., Virginia, at 8 a. m.

WARREN—River 1 foot 2 inches.

POINT PLEASANT—River 30 feet 9 inches and rising. Raining. Up, Alice Brown. Down, Virginia, L. R. Andrews, Harry Brown, James Moren.

GALLIPOLIS—River 35 feet and rising fast. Rained hard all day.

PARKERSBURG—River 24 feet and falling. Raining. The Bedford left for Wheeling at 4 a. m.; the Queen City for Pittsburgh at 7 a. m. Capts. M. R. Lowther and D. M. Miller have sold the Oneida to J. D. Robinson of Elizabeth, who will put her in the Little Kanawha trade. C. D. Dotson has bought the packet Louise, running on Barren river in the south, and will put her in the Little Kanawha trade.

Arrivals.

Ben Hur, Cramer, Parkersburg.
Keystone State, Knox, Cincinnati.
Kanawha, Roe, Charleston.

Departures.

Keystone State, Cincinnati, O.
Ben Hur, Parkersburg, W. Va.

Packets Leaving Today.

Kanawha, Charleston, 4 p. m.

News of the Rivers.

At 9 o'clock last night the stage of water at Davis island dam was 11 feet and falling.

Capt. William A. Wilson, the veteran captain and pilot, died at his home in Louisville Saturday.

Capt. W. C. Jutte, who is in New Orleans on business, will not return to Pittsburgh for several days.

The Fred Wilson was due in port last night and it is likely that she will get out today or tomorrow with a coal tow.

The towboat Gleaner was below Ballaire yesterday and the Oakland was due there last night, the latter on her way to New Orleans.

The towboat Sprague is on the docks at New Orleans receiving her new hog chains, and will be ready to let into the river in a few days.

The coalboat that the towboat Eleanor sank yesterday in the landing of the Clyde Coal Company at Glenwood will be raised when the river falls.

The packets Keystone State, Kanawha and Ben Hur were all on good time yesterday. They brought very fair trips, but it is said that business could be better.

Capt. J. F. Ellison, superintendent of the Cincinnati & Pittsburgh Packet Company office at Cincinnati, was honored with the candidacy for president of the chamber of commerce.

Capt. Lewellyn McLaughlin, now commanding the Bonanza, in the Memphis trade, is a young man, who recently held the position of second auditor on a steamer in the upper Ohio.

The steamboat inspectors at St. Louis are trying the case of an engineer who refused to work with another that did not belong to the engineers' association. The basis of the case against him is that his action was in restraint of commerce.

Capt. John F. Klein said last night that the steamer Mayflower was due at Memphis yesterday afternoon and expected announcement of her arrival at that point most any hour. The boat took south four produce boats and several other barges loaded with merchandise.

The steel-hull boat being built at the foot of Carr street, St. Louis, by S. P. McNeely of Natchez, Miss., is about completed and will be launched this week. She will be taken to Memphis where the upper works will be built, and will be ready to be taken to Natchez in February.

The steamer Oleander, being built for the lighthouse district at Memphis by the Iowa Iron works of Dubuque, is to be finished at the opening of navigation in the spring. She is to be a sternwheel boat and is to have machinery different from any ever tried on the river, having an improved Hopkins boiler and horizontal steeple compound engines.

Capt. Ira B. Huntington of Gallipolis, O., has been appointed traveling freight and passenger agent of the Pittsburgh & Cincinnati packet line. Capt. Huntington was commander of the excursion steamer Francis J. Torrence for one season, and was also in command of the Lizzie Bay and Kanawha a number of years ago. He is regarded as a thorough steamboat man.

Judge Joseph Buffington yesterday confirmed the report of United States Commissioner William T. Lindsey in the case in admiralty against the owner of the steam pleasure boat Pastime, Harry M. Rogers. Seamen and material men claim a total of $136 62, of which wages is scheduled as $80 25. A total left after the sale due to proceedings and payment of claims of $697 30 is ordered paid to Mr. Rogers.

The Automatic gauge recently invented by Prof. W. M. Fulton of the University of the Union, was installed at Chattanooga Saturday. The gauge is in the pressmen's room and is connected by wire with the weather observer's office, a half mile distant. The instrument clearly showed the stage of the river, the reading being automatically recorded. The test is being made for the government.

LOANING SYNDICATE STOPS HEAVY DECLINE

Sales at Proper Moment Prevent Rise of Stocks Above Saturday's Level.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The protective measures agreed upon by the banks of this city had the effect of checking a dangerous-looking decline in the stock market today, and the market closed tranquil and rather dull. The undertone at the last was firm and the losses of the earlier part of the day generally were recovered. When Saturday's level had been reached on the recovery the action of the market indicated that the measures taken by the banking community were by no means designed to induce speculation for the rise at this time. Prices of the market leaders as they rose over Saturday's level were held back by very liberal offerings. The statement was made that no fears were entertained of the present situation and that the formation of the protective pool was only a precautionary measure and probably no action would be required on the part of its members in the way of supplying funds to the market.

The action of the market this morning on top of last week's violent decline, following as that did also a prolonged period of gradual decline awakened real anxiety over the outcome. The violent measures adopted in the Venezuelan trouble added to the uneasiness. Sentiment was also pessimistic over the money outlook. The opening rate was 10 per cent and the day's large syndicate requirements and the heavy accumulations for the Standard Oil dividend aroused the fear that there would be large additional withdrawals of credit.

The statement of the country's foreign trade for November was discouraging as to the foreign exchange situation, showing as it did a decrease in the balance of trade in our favor of over $24,000,000, compared with November, 1901. The small interior gain movement lessened the effect also of the recent revival of grain exports. Later in the day some effect was produced upon sentiment by the rise in Chicago exchange from 25 cents premium Saturday to 40 cents premium today. The payment by the sub-treasury of $350,000 on a telegraphic transfer from San Francisco marked the abatement of a demand upon the New York money market which has caused much apprehension. The foreign exchange market also weakened materially. This last-named feature was directly due to the higher money rate. The market showed some hesitation at the close, but the tone was firm.

The bond market was broad and in the morning was weak but showed some recovery. Sales, $3,120,000 (par value). United States bonds were all unchanged on the last call.

THE MONEY MARKET.

The local money market remains firm and unchanged at 6 per cent on call and time loans. Clearing house comparisons:

	Exchanges.	Balances.
Monday	$8,271,848 04	$1,317,708 48
Last week	5,679,942 92	750,205 35
Last year	5,116,463 12	1,048,195 57

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Exchanges, $145,318,-563; balances, $7,138,262.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Exchanges, $21,018,809; balances, $1,340,729. Call loans, 5@6 per cent; time, 6@6½ per cent.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—Clearings, $17,-693,916; balances, $2,628,585. Money, 6 per cent.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 15.—Clearings, $4,154,-573; balances, $509,857. Money, 6 per cent.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Clearings, $25,504,430; balances, $1,512,070. Posted exchange, $4 84½@4 85. New York exchanges, 40c premium.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 15.—Clearings, $9,581,424; balances, $712,624. New York exchange, 65c premium. Money steady at 6 per cent.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 15.—Money, 6 per cent. New York exchange, 10@25c premium. Clearings, $5,200,850.

NEW YORK PRICES.

Daily range of prices reported by Messrs. Henry Sproul & Co., Peoples Savings bank building, members of New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Chicago stock exchanges and Chicago board of trade.

Sales.	STOCKS.	Open	High	Low	Close
66300	Atch., T. & S. F.	78¼	79¼	77	79⅛
4900	Do pref.	96⅝	97⅜	96½	97⅜
	Amer. Cot. Oil.	40	40	40	40½
	Do pref.				93
11800	Am. Sugar Ref.	119	120½	118¾	119¾
	Do pref.	117	117	117	116½
3100	Am. Locomotive.	25	25¾	25	25¼
300	Do pref.	90¾	91	90¾	91
2000	Am. Car Foundry	32⅜	33	32¼	33
700	Do pref.	87	87¾	87	87¾
	American Can.				8¾
	Do pref.				41
19400	Amal. Copper.	54	55¾	54	55½
2000	Amac. Copper.	83	84	83	83½
3900	Am. Smelt. & Ref.	87½	89¼	87½	89¼
320	Do pref.	90	90	90	90¾
	American Ice.	9¾	9¾	9¾	9¾
	Do pref.	36½	38½	36	36½
36300	Bal. & Ohio.	94	94¾	93¾	94¾
100	Do pref.	92	92	92	91
20600	Brook. R. Tran.	61	62¾	59¾	62
17100	Can. Pacific.	125	125¾	124	....
1300	C. & O. West'n.	22¾	23	22¼	22¾
1000	Consolidated Gas.	206	207	206	207
500	C.C.C. & St.L.	93	93	93	93
9900	Ches. & Ohio.	44	44¾	43¾	44¾
1400	Chic. & Alton.	34	34¾	33¾	34¾
200	Do pref.	69¼	69½	69¼	69¼
	C., Ind. & Louis.				74
100	Chic. & N'w'n.	212	212	212	211
2900	Col. Fuel & Iron.	78	78	76	76¼
	Con. Product.	27	29⅜	27	29⅜
	Do pref.	80	80	80	80
2200	Col. Southern.	25½	25⅝	24½	25½
700	Do 1st pref.	67	67	66	67
1200	Do 2d pref.	40¼	40¼	40	40¼
100	D. & R. Gulf.	240½	240½	240½	240
1500	Del. & Hudson.	155½	156	154½	156
25300	Erie.	29⅜	30⅞	29	30⅜
3400	Do 1st pref.	61	62¾	60½	62¾
1200	Do 2d pref.	41¾	43	41¾	42¾
1700	Gen. Electric.	174	175	172¾	174½
5100	Hock. Valley.	95½	96	95½	96
500	Do pref.	95	95	94	95
7400	Illinois Central.	130	130	128¾	130¾
200	Iowa Central.	35¾	35¾	35¼	35¼
	Do. pref.				65
300	Inter. Paper.	17	17	16½	16¾
100	Do pref.	70	70	70	69¾
	Intol. Power.				50
200	L. E. & West.	45	45	45	45
	Do pref.				115
8000	Louis. & Nash.	118¾	119½	116¾	119
13700	Manhattan.	143	144¾	142¾	144¼
29500	Missouri Pacific.	101	102	99¼	102¾
1900	M., K. & T. pfd.	52	53	51	52½
3000	Metropolitan.	136	136¾	135¾	136¼
1100	Mex. Central.	21¾	22	21¾	21
1900	National Lead.	24½	25⅛	24¼	25
	Do pref.	81	91	91	90
	National Biscuit.	....	....	....	42
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	101
15000	N. Y. Central.	149	151	148¾	150¾
	N. J. Central.	....	....	....	165
6700	N. Y., O. & W.	26⅝	27¼	26	27½
7200	Norfolk & West.	67¾	68⅝	67	68⅜
1000	Do preferred.	92	92	90	90
	North American.	109¾	109¾	109¾	109½
	Omaha.	....	....	....	155
3700	Peoples Gas.	98⅜	99½	98⅛	99½
100	Pacific Mail.	37	37	37	....
100	Pullman.	227	227	227	....
2900	Pressed Steel Car.	56	56¾	56	56⅛
200	Do preferred.	89½	90	89½	89
46400	Penna. R. R.	151¼	152¼	149⅞	152
	P., C., C. & St. L.	90	90	90	90
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	101
	Railway Springs.	....	....	....	32
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	87
65400	Reading

JAMES B. OLIVER BUYS THE FITZHUGH HOME

Highland Avenue Corner Brings $45,000---Callery Purchases Historic Property for Summer Residence.

James B. Oliver, president of the Oliver Iron and Steel Company, has signed articles of agreement in the purchase of the Gen. Charles I. Fitzhugh residence in Allegheny, the consideration being in the neighborhood of $75,000. The property is known as No. 704 Ridge avenue and is located at the southwest corner of Bank street, extending through to Marshall street. The lot measures 68x200 feet. The residence is a Pompeiian brick house, built only two years ago, and is one of the finest residences in Allegheny. It contains 20 rooms, has a hardwood finish and is supplied with all the modern conveniences. The property faces in West Park and is near the home of Henry W. Oliver and Mrs. Richard Hays. Besides the house a large stable and carriage house stands on the rear of the lot. It was formerly occupied by C. H. Halcomb, ex-president of the Crucible Steel Company. It had been tenanted by the new owner for several weeks. This is the largest deal in Allegheny residence property made for several years, and shows that the better parts of Allegheny still possess a strong attraction for residence purposes.

East End Sale of $45,000.

The old F. H. Seely property, at the southeast corner of Highland avenue and Rodman street, has been sold for $45,000. The former owner was Joseph H. Rugg of Blairsville, who has conveyed it to William D. Zimmerman of Swissvale. The lot measures 102x115 feet and is improved with five two-story brick houses. The purchase was made for an investment.

James D. Callery has bought the famous old Steele house, near Gallitzin, and on the dividing line between Blair and Cambria counties. A considerable amount of land is included in the purchase. The consideration was not learned. The property is one of the most interesting from a historic standpoint in that part of the state. It was built on the Indian trail, before railroads were established. A few years ago it was restored to much of its old-time appearance and needed repairs added. For many years it was the summer home of John C. Lemon, ex-auditor general and ex-state senator from that district. Mr. Callery intends to make extensive improvements and use the property for a summer home.

A charter was granted yesterday to the Brokers Trust Company of Pittsburgh, the nominal capital being $1,000. The object of the company is to insure owners of real estate, mortgages and others interested in real estate, from loss by reason of defective titles, liens, and encumbrances. The directors are: John J. Brooks, George V. Brown, Joseph W. Langfitt, William A. Roberts, George W. Eisenbeis of Pittsburgh, and Thomas C. Moore and John Gates, Jr., of Edgewood.

Will Change Management.

The New Homestead plan of lots, which has been handled by the Real Estate Trust Company, has been turned over to the Homestead Realty Company, which will conduct the sales next year. The plan is located near the site of the proposed Carnegie angle mill, and contains over 30 lots at present.

The Wilmerding Land and Improvement Company has turned over its plan of lots to the Duquesne Realty Company of this city. The plan contains 200 lots and is located at South Wilmerding.

Bids on the new Beaver Valley General hospital have been closed by the architects, C. C. & A. L. Thayer of New Castle. The building will be a three-story brick and will cost $35,000.

Architect C. C. Sauer is taking bids on seven brick houses to be built by H. W. Klein in East street at a cost of $28,000.

Architect W. T. Shaman has awarded the contract to R. T. Brown & Co. for alterations to apartment house to be built for Mrs. Mary Brown in Jackson street.

The firm of Architectural and Engineering Company has plans for a three-story flat and store building for Mrs. Hattie A. Schellentrager, at No. 6732 Thomas street. The estimated cost is $15,000.

Architect A. E. Linkenheimer is preparing plans for a four-story brick store and apartment building in Brushton avenue for Dr. Edwin Bowers.

Architect H. C. Clepper is taking bids on the brick veneered church to be built by the Methodist Episcopal congregation at Glenwood avenue and Almeda street, at a cost of $5,000.

Bought in Bellevue.

Bellevue: J. A. Gibson & Co. sold for August Lindlow to Thomas Turnbull a two-story frame house, lot 65x125 feet, in Euclid avenue, near Lincoln avenue, Bellevue, for $3,500.

Lloyd street: John W. Peters sold to Inez M. Benner an improved lot, 30x114 feet, at the northwest corner of Lloyd street, and Wilkins avenue, Twenty-second ward, for $4,000.

Eighteenth street: J. C. White sold to Wolfgang Rauh a lot 45x89 feet in South Eighteenth street, Twenty-seventh ward, for $550.

Wellesley avenue: Grant McCargo and Charles R. Miller sold to John B. Potter an improved lot, 30x168 feet, north side of Wellesley avenue, near Mellon street, Nineteenth ward, for $5,750.

Schenley avenue: C. A. McClarren sold to Joseph P. Shafer a lot 20x150 feet, north side of Schenley avenue, Nineteenth ward, for $440.

Odessa alley: Jesse C. Reade sold to Jesse C. Reade a lot 47x68 feet, in Odessa alley, Twenty-first ward, for $1,000.

Lemington avenue: Elmer E. Wintersgill sold to Minnie M. Mason an improved lot, 20x113 feet, in the west side of Lemington avenue, near Montezuma street, Twenty-first ward, for $1,100.

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Mortgages Recorded.

*Dupont August M to D Herron, May 1, '02 ..... $ 1,800
Soles Edwin to I M Smith, Nov 28, '02 .. 800
*Lutz Carolin J to T Ogden, Dec 4, '02. 2,000
Cruse Wm H to C H Keller, Dec 11, '02 1,200
Hanley Louseman to E A Rimpo, Dec 11, '02 2,000
*Dougherty Charles to A E Spulman, Sept 1, '02 800
McDonough Hannah to McCandless B & L A, Dec 11, '02 330
Superzeyuski Ignac to German B & L Dec 13, '02 675
Fischer Jno G to Keystone B & L A, Dec 13, '02 800
Schaefer Emil A to Fifth Ave Bank, Dec 12, '02 4,000
*Clark Wm H to C G Friedlag, Dec 1, '02 600
Penman James to August Miller, Dec 13, '02 700
Weis Herman to J Funk, Oct 4, '02 .. 425
McElroy John C to J S Lichtenfels, Dec 12, '02 1,000
Wise Frank to F E Atkins, Dec 12, '02. 700
*Yong Jno Bandy to Welsh Jas, Nov '02 850
*Krause Julius to H W McIntosh, Dec 15, '02 1,100
Browarsky Rachel to K W Nobbs, Oct 17, '02 7,500
McClelland James P to W G Johnston, Dec 1, '02 2,300
Wood Chas A to Keystone State B & L Ass Dec 5, '02 2,500
Williams Thomas J to R Sproul, Dec 15, '02 6,000
Second Cumberland Pres Ch to M S Baltzhaover, Dec 15, '02 4,500
Schuelbacher 'no to Brighton B & L A, Dec 13, '02 900
Brown Jno R to Safe Dept & Tr Co, Dec 15, '02 4,000
*Mason Jay D to E E Wintersgill, Nov 17, '02 800
Wise Handy L to Pgh Trust Co, Dec 5, '02 8,000
*Purchase money.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The market for coffee futures opened steady at unchanged prices. At the opening there was a little business, the sales amounting to about 250 bags on the call said to arise from the offerings of importers. Toward the afternoon there was a moderate selling movement, which closed the market quiet at a net decline of 5 points. The sales footed up 11,000 bags, including December, 4.65c; January, 4.50@4.55c; February, 4.60c; March, 4.70c; May, 4.80c; June, 4.85c; July, 5.05c; August, 5.10c; September, 5.15c. Sugar, raw firm; fair refining, 3 7-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3 15-16c; molasses sugar, 3 3-16c; refined steady; No. 6, 4.45c; No. 7, 4.40c; No. 8, 4.35c; No. 9, 4.30c; No. 10, 4.25c; No. 11, 4.20c; No. 12, 4.15c; No. 13, 4.10c; No. 14, 4.05c; confectioners' A, 4.70c; mould A, 5.10c; cut loaf, 5.45c; crushed, 5.45c; powdered, 5.25c; granulated, 4.85c; cubes, 5.10c.

The Drygoods Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—There has been a reduction of 1@1¼c per yard in a number of lines of bleached muslins. Print cloths reduced to 6¾c net. No change is noticeable in any other division of the market, an average business doing at previous prices. Print cloths dull and unchanged.

TEN POINT DECLINE IN REFINED SUGAR

Chickens Coming in Freely. Egg Receipts Increasing. Butter Unchanged.

The week started off with very firm hay and grain markets, receipts for Monday being only moderate, and not any better than the average for the preceding week. Timothy hay is very firm, with demand active, and quotations are very spring, bounding upward quickly and easily. An advance was made yesterday in Nos. 1 and 2 grades, while clover mixed hay was not forward. Yellow shelled corn remained firm at last Saturday's prices, while ear was scarce and stronger, with quotations advanced. Oats continued steady, with arrivals fair, and quotations were steady at the advance, which occurred at the close of last week. Bran was a shade firmer, while there has not commenced to pick up in demand, request being sufficient only to keep prices from declining.

All local jobbers have partially followed the advances in flour prices, which the mills made several days ago, and lists sent out yesterday show a range of $4 20@4 25 for fancy spring patent, at which range the market is firm. The wheat situation has maintained the advanced position taken last week, and this has been a prominent factor. Millers are not expecting any change in the flour situation for a while, as the full mill advance has not been followed by wholesalers, and that market could go off slightly without affecting the actual value of flour.

The surprise in grocery circles yesterday was the decline of 10 points in refined sugar, affecting all grades throughout the list. Coming as it did so soon after the advance of last Tuesday, and when the market was regarded as very strong, dealers were taken by surprise.

Wholesale dealers are calling attention of the trade to the fact that stocks of candies for the holidays have been heavily drawn upon, and any dealers who have not yet covered their wants, should not delay longer in placing orders, as supplies of some varieties are already quite small. Candy factories are working overtime, and are yet unable to keep pace with orders, the volume of business this year being very large.

Coffee is steady. The flurry in tea occasioned by the treasury ruling that bonded goods were dutiable, has subsided, owing to the fact that a bill embodying this is before congress, and will probably be passed soon enough to provide for the emergency.

Canned goods and dried fruits remain steady, with no particular change in price. Some improvement is noted in the demand for tomatoes, which have been very slow sellers all spring. Canned fish is fairly active for the season, but is holding its own as the leader in canned goods.

There has been no change in salt mackerel, which is holding firm at high quotations which have ruled for some time. Bloaters are now in the market, boxes containing 50 offering at 85 cents.

An advance in lettuce of all kinds characterized the trading yesterday, while Danish cabbage took another step forward, going to the highest figure reached this season. Boxed chickens, 13c per pound, arrived, and are quoted at $1 20@1 35. Apples are holding their own steadily. Barrel stock now controls the situation, bulk goods having disappeared.

The poultry market is easier, receipts showing improvement yesterday which has brought down prices. Chickens, 13c per pound, live and dressed. So far other descriptions of poultry are unchanged. What will happen later in the week cannot be predicted, but dealers are not looking for a heavy turkey supply for the holiday trade.

The Elgin board of trade made no change in butter on Saturday, quotations for the week still controlling the market. This leaves local selling figures unchanged, with the market steady. Cheese presents no new features, the market being strong, with stocks limited. Eggs are easier. While top prices are still realized for special select stock, yet there is a slight falling off in receipts, which while not yet sufficient to break prices, indicate possible declines in the future. Only fanciest eggs now bring top figures.

HAY, GRAIN AND FEED.

Receipts bulletined: Pennsylvania lines, 16 cars; hay, 10 cars; oats, 2 cars; corn, 2 cars; straw, 2 cars; rye, 9 cars corn; Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad, 3 cars oats, 1 car straw; Pittsburgh & Western railroad, 9 cars hay, 2 cars corn, 1 car oats; total receipts, 65 cars.

No. 1 timothy $16.50@17.00; No. 2 timothy $15.00@16.50; No. 1 clover $12.50@13.00; No. 2 clover $11.00@12.00; mixed hay $14.00@14.50.

Loose, from wagon ..$16.00@17.00; Straw, oat..$8.50@9.00; do wheat $8.50@9.00; do rye.. $9.50@10.00.

Corn, new No. 2 yellow, shelled, 70@70½c; high mix..57@57½c; No. 2 mix..49@50c; No. 2 new, ear.....55@55½c; low ear.....53@54c; high mix..51@52c; No. 2 mix..50@50½c; No. 2 white, 70½@71c.

Rye, No. 1, 72@73c.

Michigan ..59@60c.

Oats, No. 2, white .....37½@38c; do extra No. 3 .....36½@37c; do rye 38....35½@36c.

White mid'lgs, No. 1 ..$18.50@19.00; Brown mid'lgs, No. 1 ton .....17.50@18.00; Bran, ton..$17.00@17.50.

GROCERIES.

Flour, fancy spg pat.$4.20@4.25; do fancy winter patent ..$3.80@4.00; do straight winter ..$2.70@3.80; do bakers' spring ..$3.45@3.60; do rye ..$3.45@3.60; do graham.$4.00@4.50; Jorman'l, bbl.$3.50@3.60; do 10-lb. cot-ton bags.....19@20c; Rolled oats, bbl .....$4.50; do pkgs..$2.30@3.10; (Sugar quotations are for Pittsburgh and Allegheny wagon delivery. Add 9 cents per 100 pounds for rail shipments to points within a radius of 50 miles of Pittsburgh.)

Coffee, roasted, bulk, Rio..10½@12c; do Santos..22½@23½c; do maracaibo ..17@17½c; do Peaberry..17@18c; do Caracas..19@19½c; do Gol. Rio..13¾@14c; do Java.....26@29c; do Mocha.....29@33c; do opera ket..40@43c; Syrup, fancy sugar .....30@32c; do sugar and cane ..28@31c; do 2½-lb cans, doz .....$1.05; do 3-lb cans, doz .....$1.20; do 5-lb cans, doz .....$2.10; do 10-lb cans, doz .....$3.80; Maple syrup, gal .....60@90c; Beans, prime, mediums, bu .....$2.75@2.95; do navy, do kegs .....$2.55; Oatmeal, bbl.....$5.25; do kegs.....$2.80; Sugar, stan. gran. do fine .....5.00c; do 2-lb cartons..5.20c; do 5lb cot. bags..5.10c; do powdered.....5.15c; do pow'd xxxx..5.15c; do cubes .....5.25c; do cut loaf.....5.35c; do confec. A.....4.85c; do coff. A..4.75@4.85c; do No. 1 yellow.4.65c; do No. 2 yellow.4.55c; do No. 3 yellow.4.50c;

CANNED GOODS.

Peaches, std pie.80@85c; do pie ...$2.50@3.00; do Califor. L. C.....$1.00@2.35; do Mary-land .....$1.15@1.65; do Cal. Y. F. .....$1.80@2.00; Corn, fancy..$1.15@1.30; do std.....85c@$1.10; Cherries, Cal. white ..$2.20@2.25; Lima beans..$1.20@1.40; do soaked.....75@80c; String beans..95c@$1.25; Peas, marrow-fat.....90c@$1.00; do early June ....$1.00@1.30; do soaked ....50@65c; Apples, N. Y. gal. cans.....$2.50; Pineapples ..$1.20@2.20; Plums, damson....$1.00; do California..$1.40; Raspberries .....85@95c;

Gooseberries .95c@$1.00; Tomatoes, standard..$1.02½@1.10; do fancy....$1.20@1.30; do gal.....$3.65@3.75; Succotash, 1-lb Cans .....65c@$1.40; Baked beans, tomato sc.85c@$1.40; Salmon, red, doz..$1.60@2.05; Chipped beef..$2.50@2.75; Corned and roast beef, 2-lb cans .....$2.45@2.50; do 1-lb cans .....$1.45@1.50; Sardines, domestic, ½s.....$3.60@3.65; do ¼s.....$4.75@5.00; do French.$6.00@16.00; Oysters, 1-lb can, light wght.85c@$1.25; do 1-lb lunch, flat cans $1.10

CHRISTMAS GREENS.

Christmas trees, bundle ..75c@$1.00; Holly, crate..$2.75@3.25; Holly, wreaths, doz .....$1.50@1.75; Smilax, crate ..$4.00@5.00; Moss, bbl...$2.50@4.00;

Pine, 20-yard rolls .....65@75c; Mistletoe, lb .....30@40c; Southern pines, doz .....$2.00@2.50; Needle pines, doz .....$2.50@3.00; Laurel, yd .....4@5c;

TROPICAL FRUITS.

Lemons, Californ-ia .....$3.00@4.50; do Messina$4.00@4.50; Limes, per 100....$1.00; Oranges, Fla $3.00@3.50; do Jamaica$3.00@3.50; do Cal. Navel ..$3.50@4.00; do Cal. seedlgs $2.50@3.00; Cocoanuts, bags .....$2.75@3.25; Bananas, firsts ....$1.50@2.00; do eighths..$1.25@1.50; do seconds.$1.00@1.25; Crapes, Malaga, lbs .....$4.50@6.50; Grape fruit..$5.00@7.00; Pineapples, each,10@15c; do Florida, crate .....$5.00@5.50;

NUTS.

Almonds, lb.....14@16c; Filberts lb.....12c; Walnuts, Engl'sh, lb....12@14c; do black, lb...7½@9c; Pecans, lb.....11@12c; Brazil nuts, lb..10@11c; Mixed nuts, lb..11@12c;

BUTTER, EGGS AND CHEESE.

Butter, prints.32@32½c; do tubs.....31@31½c; do 10-lb tubs, creamery 29@29½c; do dairy.....23@24c; do country rolls .....22@23c; Cheese, N. Y. full cream ....14@14½c; do Ohio....13½@14c; do ¾ cream.....12c; do Ohio Swiss, tubs .....13½@14c; do Wis. Swiss, tubs .....13½@16c; do 20-lb block, Swiss ....14@14½c; do 5-lb brick.....14c; do Limburger.....14c; Eggs, select ..29@30c; do candled....27@28c; do at mark..28@27c; do storage, Apr. 20c; do stor. June....21c; do pocket..$1.55@1.85;

HONEY.

White comb.....17@18c; Buckwheat .....14@15c; N. Y. white clover .....18@19c;

PRODUCE.

Potatoes, choice, car lots bu.50@55c; do fancy car-lots, bu.....58@58c; do on track...58@60c; do ex-store...65@70c; Sweet potatoes, Va. bbl .....$2.25@2.50; do boxes ..$1.20@1.30; do Jersey, fancy ..$3.50@4.00; do md.....$2.50@3.00; Onions, bbl...$2.00@2.25; do bu .....75@85c; do green, doz.....15@20c; Cucumbers, hot-house, doz.....$1.75@2.00; do Florida, basket ..$3.00@4.00; Cabbage, Danish, ton .....$8.00@10.00; do domestic, ton .....$4.00@5.00; Beets, doz.....20@25c; Carrots, doz.....20@25c; Parsley, doz.....10@40c; Radishes, doz...5@35c; Spinach, bu.....40@50c; Celery, doz.....30@50c;

DOMESTIC FRUITS.

Apples, Kings, bbl .....$3.00@3.50; Baldwins and Hubbardston..$2.25@2.50; do greenings and pippins ..$2.00@2.50; Grapes, Catawba, pony baskets ....15@16c;

Lettuce, home, doz .....50@60c; do Ashtabula, doz .....40@50c; do bbl. .....$5.00@6.00; Endive, bbl...$4.00@4.50; Egg plant, Fla. crate .....$1.75@2.00; Turnips, bbl..$1.25@1.75; Garlic, lb.....7@10c; Carrots, bbl .$1.50@1.75; do doz. bun..20@25c; String beans, green, do wax....$3.00@3.50; do wax ....$2.00@2.50; Kohlrobi, dz bch.30@40c; Cauliflower, doz .....$1.50@2.50; do bbl.....$4.00@5.00; Squash, Hubbard, bbl .....$1.75@2.00; do marrow....75@$1.00; Parsnips, bbl.$1.75@2.00; Ruta'gas, bbl.90c@$1.00; Watercress, doz...30@35c; Florida tomatoes, crate .....$2.00@2.50; Brussels sprouts, quart .....12@14c;

Strawberries, fancy, Cal. Strawberries, pint .....50@60c;

DRIED FRUITS.

Apricots, evap., bags .....8¼@9c; do 25-lb boxes..8@12c; Apples, bulk .....8c; do 1-lb cartons .....8¼@9c; Peaches .....7@10c; Currants, cleaned, Raspberries ..29@27½c; Raisins, seeded, 1-lb pkgs.9½@9¾c; do Muscatel, 2 and 4-crown 50-lb boxes ..7@8c; do Ondara, do Cal. Valencias, pkgs .....6½@6¾c; Prunes, Cal. ..3¾@8½c;

SALT FISH.

Mackerel, No. 1 mess, bbl..$25.00; do half bbls....$18.00; do quar. bbls..$9.40; Mackerel, No. 2, shore, bbl .....$27.00; do half bbls...$14.00; Codfish, whole pails, lb .....4@5c; Lake herring, 100 lbs .....$4.10; do 50-lb quar....$1.75; do 10-lb kits.....90c; Bloaters, 50-box....85c;

SEEDS.

Clover, from store, recleaned, 60-lb bu small.$6.85@6.95; do mammoth ...$6.95@7.05; do crim ..$4.75@5.00; do white, Dutch $10.00@11.00; Alsike .....$9.00@10.50; Alfalfa .....$7.10@7.20;

Millet .....$1.65@1.70; Grass, Hungarian ....90c@$1.10; do lawn, lb....18@20c; do blue, 14-lb bu .....$1.50@1.75; do red top, 14-lb bu.$1.10@2.00; Timothy ....$2.00@2.05;

GAME.

Mallard ducks, pr.$1.75; Teal ducks, pair..$1.00; Redheads, pair...$1.50; Canvasbks, pair..$1.75; Spoonbills, pair..75c; Rabbits, doz...$1.75; Pigeons, doz.....$2.25; Squirrels, pair..90@95c; Grouse, imp. pair.$2.50;

Pheasants, pair..$2.50; Blackcock, pair....$2.50; Partridges, pair....$2.00; Groundhogs, ea.35@50c; Opossum, ea.35@50c; Coons, each..75c@$1.00; Rabbits, pair...40@50c; Sucking pigs, each ....$3.25@3.50;

POULTRY.

Live hens, lb...12@13c; Springers .....12@13c; Roosters .....9@10c; Turkeys, lb.....12c; Geese .....12@13c; Ducks, old.....13c; do spring.....14c;

Dressed hens....12@16c; Springers .....16@17c; Broilers .....20c; Roosters .....12c; Turkeys .....18@19c; Ducks .....18c; do Long Island.20@22c

PROVISIONS.

Hams, large, 18 lbs and up.....12c; do medium, 14 to 16 lbs.....12½c; do small, 10 to 14 lbs.....12¾c; do small, under 10 lbs.....13c; do skinned ..12½c; do boneless, boiled .....18½c; do California..10½c; Shoulders, N. Y. cut .....10½c; do cottonseed.....11c; Breakfast bacon, rib, 8 to 10 lbs .....14c; do 10 to 12 lbs.13½c; do back strips..13½c;

Breakfast bacon, clears, 8 to 10 lbs.....14½c; do 10 to 12 lbs..14½c; do back strips..13¾c; Dry salt sides, extra short clears..10½c; Bellies, 20 to 25 lbs .....12c; do 16 to 20 lbs.....12c; do under 16 lbs....11c; Dry salt smoked sides, extra short clears.....13½c; Bellies, 20 to 25 lbs .....11¾c; do 16 to 20 lbs....12c; do under 16 lbs....12c; Lard, pure, tierces.11½c;

HIDES.

No. 1 green steer, heavy .....10c; do light, under 60 lbs and cows, all weights .....7c; No. 1 green bulls..7c; Calfskins, No. 1 ..14c; do No. 2.....8c;

Green salt or cured, No. 1 steers, over 60 lbs.....11c; do No. 2 .....10c; Cows and light steers .....8½c; Calfskins, No. 1 ..11c; do No. 2.....9½c;

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WHEAT CLOSES HIGHER, CORN AND OATS LOWER

Prominent Long Continues to Buy, but Is Believed to Be Also Selling.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Wheat was strong at the opening today on small world's shipments, a decrease of 2,144,000 bushels in the amount on passage and heavy snowstorms throughout the northwest. There was considerable covering by shorts. The leading long added to his already heavy line early, but it was reported he was selling through other houses and this made some weakness, longs with profits being inclined to dispose of their holdings. The expectation of a large increase in visible supply was a weakening influence as were the larger receipts and better grading. The market was nervous the last part of the day, but the close was higher. Primary receipts were 1,964,000 bushels, compared with 983,000 bushels a year ago. Minneapolis and Duluth reported receipts of 1,187 cars, which, with local receipts of 100 cars, 52 of contract grades, made total receipts for the three points of 1,287 cars, against 1,264 cars last week, and 755 cars a year ago.

There was only a moderate trade in corn and after a firm opening the market weakened and the close was easier. Wet weather in the southwest and firm cables induced some buying at the start. Heavy liquidation in December influenced by a large increase in the visible supply together with larger receipts caused a severe break. The weakness in the current month had a depressing influence on May. Local receipts were 349 cars, with 58 of contract grade.

There was no feature of note in the trading in oats and the volume of business was light. Commission houses and shorts gave some support to the market and it held about steady. Local receipts were 278 cars.

Provisions ruled dull but the market was firm, the higher prices for hogs being a strengthening factor. There was a fair demand from packers, especially for the January products, but offerings were light, which also helped prices.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 110 cars; corn, 615 cars; oats, 405 cars; hogs, 20,000 head.

The leading futures as corrected by John D. Armstrong & Co., 209 Sixth street, members of Chicago board of trade:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Saturday's Close.
WHEAT					
No. 2					
Dec.	76	76	75⅝	75⅝	75¼
May	78	78⅛	77⅜	77⅜	77⅛
July	74¾	74⅝	74⅛	74⅝	74⅛
CORN					
No. 2					
Dec.	56⅛	57	54½	55	56⅛
Jan.	48½	49	47⅜	47⅜	48¼
May	44	44	43½	43⅝	43⅝
OATS					
No. 2					
Dec. n	31¾	32	31¾	31¾	31½
May	33⅝	33⅝	33	33½	33¼
MESS PORK					
Jan.	16 72½	16 77½	16 62½	16 72½	16 60
May	15 75	15 75	15 65	15 67½	15 52½
LARD					
Dec.	10 22½	10 27½	10 22½	10 27½	10 22½
Jan.	9 70	9 70	9 70	9 70	9 70
May	9 17½	9 25	9 17½	9 20	9 15
SHORT RIBS					
Jan.	8 42½	8 45	8 40	8 45	8 35
May	8 35	8 40	8 32½	8 35	8 30

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour quiet, but steady; No. 2 spring wheat, 75½@76¾c; No. 3, 71@72½c; No. 2 red, 73½@74c; No. 2 corn, 46¼c; No. 2 yellow oats, 34½@34¾c; No. 2 white, 38c; No. 3 white, 31½@34½c; No. 2 rye, 49¼c; good feeding barley, 39@40c; fair to choice malting, 43@50c; No. 1 flax seed, $1 15; No. 1 northwestern, $1 24; prime timothy seed, $5 65; mess pork, per bbl., $17 00; lard, per 100 lbs., $10 30@10 35; short ribs sides (loose), $8 25@8 75; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $8 25@8 50; short clear sides (boxed), $8 75@9 00; whisky, basis of high wines, $1 32; clover, contract grade, $10 75.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	36,400	13,800
Wheat, bushels	80,300	12,100
Corn, bushels	157,900	26,200
Oats, bushels	270,200	220,000
Rye, bushels	5,500	2,200
Barley, bushels	101,600	.....

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Flour—Receipts, 10,-062 barrels; exports, 24,396 barrels. Quiet, but very steady. Minnesota patents, $4 00@4 20; Minnesota bakers, $3 25@3 40; winter patents, $3 90@3 90; winter straights, $3 45@3 55; winter extras, $2 85@3 15; winter low grades, $2 65@2 95. Rye flour steady; fair to good, $3 05@3 40; choice to fancy, $3 50@3 55. Buckwheat flour firm, $2 90@2 95. Cornmeal steady; yellow western, $1 25; city, $1 21; Brandywine, $3 40@3 55. Rye firm; No. 2 western, 59½c f. o. b. afloat; state, 58@58c c. i. f. New York. Barley steady; feeding, 39@40c c. i. f. Buffalo; malting, 46@46c c. i. f. Buffalo. Wheat—Receipts, 208,-650 bushels; exports, 68,832 bushels; spot firm; No. 2 red, 82½c elevator and 83½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 86¾c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, 87¾c f. o. b. afloat. On unexpectedly higher cables bulls were from the start aggressive, and buying and small world's shipments wheat developed early strength. Reacting at noon on the big visible increase the market rallied on good Chicago support, but closed unsettled at ¼@⅝c advance. May, 81½@81⅝c, closed 81⅜c; July, 78⅜@79c, closed 78⅝c. Corn—Receipts, 25,200 bushels; exports, 2,904 bushels; spot dull; No. 2, 64c in elevator and 64c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 yellow, 63c; No. 2 white, 61½c. Option market was firm at first on steady cables and the Chicago advance, subject to a big visible supply increase, expected for larger receipts and unloading. The close was 3@3½c net lower. January, 56c, closed 56c; May, 45¾@46⅝c, closed 46¼c; December closed 61⅛c. Oats—Receipts, 67,500 bushels; exports, 13,111 bushels; spot firm; No. 2, 37½c; standard white, 38½@38¾c; No. 3, 37c; No. 2 white, 38½@38¾c; No. 3 white, 38@38½c; track mixed western, nominal; track white, 37½@43c. Options quiet all day and about steady; December closed, 36¾c. Hay quiet; shipping, 65@70c; good to choice, 80c@$1 00.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 15.—Flour steady; winter extra, $2 95@3 15; winter clear, $3 25@3 45; winter straight, $3 40@3 60; winter patent, $3 80@4 00; spring clear, $3 20@3 45; spring straight, $3 70@3 85; spring patent, $3 90@4 10; receipts, 20,235 bbls.; exports, 14,410 bbls. Wheat dull; spot and December, 76¼@76¾c; January, 77⅛@77½c; May, 90½c asked; steamer No. 2 red, 72@72½c; receipts, 9,000 bushels; exports, none; southern by sample, 69@70½c; southern on grade, 72½@76¼c. Corn weak; spot, old, 53¾@54c; new, 53½c; year, 53¾@54c; January, 54@54¼c; February, 54½@54¾c; March, 55c; May, 47½c; steamer mixed, 51½@51

SUPERIOR COURT SAYS SMOKE LAW IS ILLEGAL

Declared City Ordinance Unconstitutional on Appeal of W. H. Keech, Who Was Fined.

Dr. Dean Loses Divorce Suit.

A number of opinions were received from the superior court by Prothonotary George Peurson, yesterday. Among them was a decision in the case of the city of Pittsburgh against W. H. Keech, in which the smoke ordinance is declared unconstitutional. This sustains the opinion of Judge E. H. Stowe of common pleas court No. 1.

Mr. Keech was fined $50 and costs by Alderman S. J. Toole, and from this he took an appeal. It was alleged that the ordinance which imposed a penalty for the emission of smoke, which may be more than 20 per cent black, from any chimney, etc., for three minutes duration, was invalid on the grounds that it was unreasonable and unconstitutional.

President Judge Rice, who wrote the opinion, discusses the section referring to the emission for three minutes of smoke containing "more than 20 per cent black or gray," and says that is construing this, the court is warranted in assuming that this was the only kind of smoke which the municipal authorities had in view. Dwelling on the same section Judge Rice says: "We fully recognize the principle that if an ordinance is susceptible to two interpretations, one of which would make it reasonable and the other not, it is the duty of the courts to adopt the former. But where the ordinance is plain and unambiguous in its terms, and where the only ground for supposing that the words do not express the meaning of the legislative body is that to give them full effect would make it unreasonable and oppressive, we take it that it is not within the province of the court to insert qualifications or conditions which would relieve it of that objection. This would be to amend, not to construe the ordinance."

Justice Smith wrote an opinion affirming the judgment of the quarter sessions court of this county directing Dr. Davis A. Dean to pay his wife $100 a month for her support. The court says the only matter that can be considered is the regularity of the proceedings as is shown by the record.

Judge Orlandy directed that judgment be entered for the defendant in the case of James S. Bryant against P. L. Kunz, Humane society agent. Bryant recovered a verdict against Kunz for alleged false arrest. The matter went to the jury on the question of probable cause, and the superior court says this should not have been done.

A decision in the case of Lewis C. Wick against the Fraternities Accident Order, from Butler county, states that every member of an insurance order is bound to take cognizance of and know all of the laws of the association, and if he fails to exhaust every remedy in pressing a claim for benefits he will have no remedy at law.

CHASED BY CHINAMEN.

Cross-Suits in Criminal Court Confirms Story of Negro's Flight. Fan-Tan Figured in Case.

In criminal court yesterday, before Judge John D. Shafer, Yee Tan and Yee Tang, two Chinamen, were arraigned, charged with felonious assault and battery by John W. Curtis, a colored man. The trial is the reckoning of one of the most sensational episodes in the history of the peaceful borough of Sewickley, and according to the witnesses for the prosecution, the flight of the negro down Beaver avenue, pursued closely by the Chinamen, one with a meat cleaver and the other with a big knife, involved all the elements of a Boxer movement.

Attorney John Marron assisted Assistant District Attorney John S. Robb, Jr., in the prosecution, while John S. Robb, Sr., looked after the defendants' interests. The jury was selected with great care, a half dozen or more jurymen being challenged. According to the prosecution's witnesses, Curtis, while in a meat market, receiving change after paying for some meat, was accosted by one of the Chinamen and asked to settle a laundry bill alleged to be due. The butcher transferred the scene of the racial differences and the men went outside, where Curtis testified the fight down Beaver avenue began, and ended several squares below, after he had received several cuts on his hands and head, which laid him up for two weeks. He claims he is still barely able to work.

In opening the case for the defense the attorney stated they would prove the colored man went across the street to the Chinese laundry with a knife, after being ejected from the meat market, and the sight of blood on the elder Chinaman's face caused the other to look for the cleaver. The Chinamen have entered cross-suits, charging assault and battery, and the cases will be disposed of together. The Chinamen will go on the stand this morning.

Charles Kitz was convicted before Judge Frazer of criminal assault on Katie Lenhart. It is his second conviction for the same offense within two years.

The acquittals yesterday were: Eliza Wesco, larceny; Michael Dougher and Phillip McGowan, larceny; W. H. Hoffman, larceny by bailee; Katie Mundell, malicious mischief; Julia Kelly, larceny.

The pleas of guilty entered were as follows: Oscar Fields, cutting James Dorsey, six months; James T. Havel, larceny, 1 day; John Smith, larceny from the person, sentence deferred; Kate Hollovan, illegal sale of liquor, $500 fine and three months.

CONTROLLER ANSWERS.

Denies Power of McKeesport Board of Health to Employ Smallpox Doctor.

An answer was filed to the mandamus proceedings begun by Dr. J. V. Harsha against R. R. Hitchins, city controller of McKeesport, to show cause why the latter should not sign a warrant for the physician's salary of $1.55? for treating smallpox patients.

The controller declares that he has been advised that under the law the president of the board of health had no power to employ the petitioner; and that as the warrant was for a gross sum he rightfully refused to sign it. It is also declared that the doctor was not to be paid $10 for each patient visited, but $10 for each visit to each particular place.

DOCTORS' SUIT.

Colored Woman Sent to Insane Hospital, Fails to Recover Damages.

A verdict for the defendant in the case of Sherman Jackson and his wife, Tina Jackson against Dr. F. C. Gundlach and Dr. W. C. Ranson, for $5,000 for alleged false imprisonment of Mrs. Jackson in Marshalsea, as an insane patient. Mrs. Jackson was the foster mother of William Newman, who was hanged about three years ago. A short time after the execution the woman attempted to commit suicide by jumping into the river. Her actions otherwise necessitated physicians making inquiry into her mental condition, and upon orders from the defendants she was removed to Marshalsea, where she remained 51 days, after which she was released.

Work of the Grand Jury.

The grand jury returned the following true bills yesterday:

Assault and battery, Simon Braun, William Dump et al, Emil Heiburg, Margaret O'Neil; larceny, John T. Dabro ski, William Dunn, Andy Markeuris, Lottie Turner; felonious assault and battery, Emma Harris, alias Emma Kendal; Ned McCray, Mona Wrawich; larceny by bailee, John Parley; carrying concealed weapons, Mike Morrow, Albert McPeak; burglary, Australia Strothers; felonious assault, Albert McPeak; robbery, Henry Mitchell, John F. Smoot; selling liquor without a license, Mattie Wiser; selling liquor on Sunday, Mattie Wiser; nuisance, Charles N. Wood; misdemeanor, Stephen Scanlon.

Ignored bills: Perjury, Mike Darochowitz, Adam Makowski, Antonia Makowski; assault and battery, John Martinich, Y. Yenseck; aggravated assault and battery, Steve Polylake et al; keeping disorderly house, Clara Reed.

MANY WILLS FILED.

Number of Estates Left to Families of Testators.

There were many wills filed for probate in the register's office yesterday. Among them was that of Frank A. Dean, freight agent of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railroad Company. He left an estate, the value of which is not estimated, to his wife, Lyon, McKee & Mitchell represent the estate.

The will of John F. Devlin of Pittsburgh was filed. To a nephew, Charles W. McKeown, is bequeathed property at 970 Liberty avenue, 190 Bedford avenue, 1844 Cliff street and land in Florida. The personal estate goes to the mother of the last legatee, and should she have other children, the share of Charles W. McKeown is to be divided for the benefit of such child. The personal estate is worth $10,000. Watterson & Reid have charge of the estate.

By the will of Ellen Watkins of Mifflin township the sum of $5 is bequeathed to each of the decedent's three children and the residue of a $1,500 estate goes to Howard Wasgins, a grandson.

By the will of Catherine O'Keefe of North Versailles township, $200 goes to Mrs. Mary Irwin, $1,000 to Thomas O'Keefe, a son, and the balance to Michael O'Keefe, another son.

P. E. Madigan of Pittsburgh left a $1,500 estate to his wife. Attorney Marion H. Murphy represents the executrix.

Anton Sleiner of Mt. Oliver left a $1,250 estate to his mother-in-law. By the will of Elizabeth Liuber of Pittsburgh the bulk of a $1,500 estate goes to Frederick Funk, a brother of the testatrix. Joseph Seidel of Brackenridge borough, by his will left his estate to his widow.

By the will of Charles H. Shaffer of Elizabeth his estate, with the exception of a few personal bequests, goes to his widow.

HOMES NOT EXEMPT.

Judge McClung Decides Railroads Can Take Any Property Under the Right of Eminent Domain.

Judge S. A. McClung handed down an opinion in the case of Mary Ann Dryden against the Pittsburgh, Virginia & Charleston Railway Company, in which the homestead law was an important factor. The court refuses to grant the preliminary injunction prayed for.

By the extension of its tracks the company proposes, under its rights of eminent domain, to take the plaintiff's dwelling house, occupied by her, without her consent. She denied this right under the railroad act of 1849, while the defendant contended that the proceedings are authorized by the special act of 1871, which refers to the right of railroads to take property for sidings, etc. "however, the same may be owned, used or occupied." Judge McClung declared for the defendant company as follows:

"This is a case where the plaintiff should be fully secured for damages beforehand, but we are of the opinion that the defendant company has a right to take the property."

New Suits Filed.

COMMON PLEAS NO. 1.

Margaret J. Bess—Harry M. Wellver...Assp.
The Creamery Package Co.—W. H. Culp et al.....Assp.
August Peterson—Rose & Fisher.....Tres.
Reed M. Vincent et al—Mrs. William Peebles, jr.....Assp.
Bennett Public Building and Loan association—Mary Guniher, admr.....Sci. fa. mtge.
Charles Haelbert et al—John Wilson...Assp.
Catherine Fisher, admr—The R. C. Knights of St. George.....Assp.
Ada M. Daugherty, admr—Robert T. Paine, jr., trustee.....Equity

COMMON PLEAS NO. 2.

A. J. Barton—H. J. Bailey et al.....Rep.
Squires Carriage Co.—Frank Searight....Rep.
Peoples Building and Loan association—Catherine E. Whitman et al.Sci. fa. mtge.

COMMON PLEAS NO. 3.

Charles S. Scofield, receiver—Dr. W. T. Latimer.....Ap.
Thomas & Co.—Mrs. J. Soles.....Rep.
Moreland Trust Company—W. H. Flint...Assp.

Today's Trial Lists.

Criminal court—Commonwealth vs. Morris Kaufmann et al, Matthew Bell, Nathan Graham, William McClintock, N. Levison, Nick Browarsky, Max Silverman, William Jackson, Annie Hominak, John G. Peters, Annie Pezybtor, Thomas Graham, Samuel Branch, Henry Mitchell, Thomas Benner, Charles Guest, Stephen Guyders, John Wagner, Julius Hartman, William Harr, Martin Matzok, Butler McClure, Naisbet Oswald, Gurandi Geruce, Nick Ruschel, Fritz Report, Emma Kendall, Australia Strathers, Ned McCray, W. G. Rose, Salvatore Amelia (2), Annie Duf, James Lowther, Bella Lowther (2), George Clarke, Harry Bair, Frank Timberlake, Fred Cushman, Thomas Kelly, Carlo De Fazio, Samuel Solato, Dan O'Leary, George Washington, John Dougherty et al, John Fitzgerald (2), Henry Mitchell, John F. Smoot.

Common pleas No. 1—Theilman et al vs. Duquesne Traction Company, Lardner vs. United Traction Company, City of Pittsburgh vs. Hutchinson, Forbes vs. Jenkins, Fry vs. National Glass Company, Lappan & Co. vs. Rhoto Oil Company, Cochran vs. Cochran, Stickle vs. Oppliger, Alexander vs. Sedwick, City of Pittsburgh vs. Cornelius et al, Gordon Smith Company vs. Kleinschmidt.

Common pleas No. 2—Pennsylvania Steel Manufacturing Company vs. Shields et al, Scott vs. Woods, Latimer vs. Watson, Hutchinson vs. Leek et al, Shindler vs. Monongahela Street Railway Company.

Common pleas No. 3—Argument list.

LEGAL BRIEFS.

Max Diederich Kloppenberg and Morris Jaffe of Pittsburgh were discharged from bankruptcy.

Michael Topovity entered suit against William Frankel of Franklin for $2,000 damages for alleged false arrest on a charge of larceny.

In the United States circuit court a rule to show cause on the defendants was allowed in the suit of the Bank of Biscayne against Somer Bros. & Co.

In the United States district court Horace M. Rose of Johnstown filed a bond in the sum of $1,000 to act as referee in bankruptcy in Cambria county.

The report of the commissioner in the divorce case of Mary J. Rymer against Jesse Rymer was filed. The libellant claims the respondent choked her, tore her clothes, beat her and put her out on the street.

Ada M. Daugherty, administratrix of the estate of John M. Daugherty, filed a bill in equity against Robert J. Fane, Jr., for the performance of an agreement to transfer property at West Ingram to the plaintiff.

Two suits brought by Hugh Herron against Jones & Laughlin, now the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company, are on trial in common pleas court No. 1. The actions are to recover damages to property caused by blasting iron from cars.

The commissioner's report in the case of admiralty against the steamboat Pastime was confirmed by the court. The wage claims and claims for material were ordered paid. The balance from the boat's sale was ordered returned to the Harry M. Rogers, the owner of the boat.

G. L. Reiber filed a petition asking that his bill in equity filed against Latshaw & Feerst which was recently dismissed by Judge J. A. Evans, be reopened and that a hearing be granted. Reiber claims to have three additional witnesses to prove that he purchased an interest in the firm in 1885.

John Matthew Keely, a paperhanger of the firm of Keely & Kirkwood of Allegheny, filed his petition in bankruptcy and one against the firm, which is composed of himself and James E. Kirkwood. His liabilities, individually and as a member of the firm, are given as $3,567.15 and his individual assets as $45.

In the divorce case of Sarah J. Carson against Alexander Carson a verdict was returned for the respondent. The couple are aged and have had their affairs before the court, more or less, for the past three years as a result of disputes over property. Mrs. Carson accused her husband of indignities to the person.

Children Burned to Death.

PELLSTON, MICH., Dec. 15.—Alfred Durke's two children and a child of his brother, Charles Durke, were burned to death here Saturday night in Alfred Durke's house. Mr. and Mrs. Durke left the children alone in the house while they went to the store. They were gone about 30 minutes and the house burned in their absence.

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IN the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 620, November term, 1902.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the construction of a lateral sewer on Termon avenue, from Atlantic avenue to Walker's line, Eleventh ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 28th day of December, A. D. 1902, at 9:30 o'clock a. m., and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

J. G. REEL,
E. E. PHILLIPS,
S. T. M'CLELLAND,
Viewers.

IN the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 622, November term, 1902.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the construction of a lateral sewer on Pell street, from an unnamed alley to eastern terminus of street, Thirteenth ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 29th day of December, A. D. 1902, at 10 o'clock a. m., and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

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